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Board Begins Sending Out Questionnaires Saturday

Those who will receive their questionnaires this week—some suggestions.

The exemption board will send the first lot of questionnaires Sat. Dec. 15, and will continue mail out 606 every week until are sent out.

Recently we published in substance what was in the questionnaires and our readers are somewhat familiar with what it contains, but there are some suggestions which we feel that will not be missed on this occasion.

All registrants who have not been accepted for military service will be sent these questionnaires. Exemptions or discharges previously granted are longer in force. A man has seven days from the day he receives his questionnaire which to return to the board. Failure to return it within those seven days (exclusive of holidays) forfeits any right to deferred classification.

The questionnaire must be returned to the board that sent it out and to no other but it can be filled at any place. For instance, suppose a man is registered in Comanche and has moved to Fort Worth. The Comanche board sends out his questionnaire and when he receives it he may fill it out in Fort Worth but he must return it to the Comanche board. All cases are passed on by the board where the person registered.

Every person must make claim for exemption. They think they belong in the exempt class with dependent wives and should be put in fourth class with a dependent relative should be put in fourth class. The board may pass from the one class to the other in case if the registrant is not satisfied he may appeal to the proper papers from the board.

Claims for deferred classification on agricultural or industrial grounds are not considered by the local board but the proper form for making such claim is to be secured from the local board.

No physical examination is made at this time. A man must state his physical disqualifications in his mailed:

questionnaire.

Claim for deferred classification must be supported by necessary affidavits.

Do not ask questions of the exemption board in regard to how to fill questionnaire. Ask the legal advisory board. Do not appear before the exemption board until your questionnaire is filled out unless you want further blanks.

If you have a relative or friend in whom you are interested and you know he has not received his questionnaire when it was sent out see to it that he gets it. Failure to receive the questionnaire puts a man in the first class.

What to do When You Receive the Questionnaire.

Read the instructions on page 2 carefully. Read over the questionnaire carefully and decide what you will answer to every question. If you are in doubt about what to answer go to the legal advisory board for information, it is their business to give it.

If you fill out your own questionnaire or have it filled out by any other person than a member of the advisory board take it to a member of the advisory board and let them look it over before you file it.

Be free to tell the exemption board when questioned all your attending circumstances. They are not permitted to divulge what you tell them. Remember if they doubt what you claim to be your circumstances they will deny you the deferred classification you ask. If you are not frank with them they may think you are hiding something.

The legal advisory board consists of Merton L. Harris, A. E. Hampton and J. P. Kearby. The exemption board consists of Dr. G. W. Holmesley, T. I. Fitzgerald and Mr. Love. Mr. Littlejohn is the clerk of the board.

Below is a list of those who will be sent their questionnaires and the day on which they will be mailed:

F. W. Couch
Henry Schofner
H. W. Johnson
A. Cardano
J. A. Fulgham
I. Brown
M. Tinnison
J. K. Ward
J. H. Clark
D. A. Barnett
W. E. Keith
L. W. Brown
W. T. Schofner
J. T. Bagley
B. E. Young
E. P. Foster
P. T. Towle
J. A. Westmoreland
Oscar Reed
W. C. Pinson
G. A. Kight
E. C. Painter
E. L. Ayers
H. Isham
S. J. Kornegay
J. L. Norwood
G. F. Caraway
A. C. Jones
S. E. Essary
D. L. Griffith
J. F. Watson
R. M. Humphires
W. C. Baker
R. J. McCullough
Carl Bruce
Jeff Walker
Frank Adams
E. E. Hawkins
J. A. Jarrett
Jake Campbell
H. Hafford
J. D. Cotton
W. J. Evans
J. M. Creamer
Robt. Steward
Riley Foley

Chas. McKinzie
E. Cozart
V. Hanes
John Smith
L. W. Boynton
C. A. Johnson
J. J. Moates
J. L. Landes
R. K. Lane

Those whose questionnaires will be mailed on Mon. Dec. 17.
J. W. Johnson
G. M. Kearney
J. M. Summers
J. C. Tyson
W. T. Johnson
F. M. Rose
Tom Griffith
J. H. Cooper
A. V. Lawson
C. A. Richardson
J. O. Ham
D. B. Hopper
C. F. Cornwell
J. G. Davis
C. L. Beard
C. E. Bilberry
R. P. Tuggle
A. L. Chapple
E. Bawcom
F. W. Hein
M. J. Daniel
Carl Dunn
Lionel Slider
G. E. Walker
C. B. Garner
A. T. Rudd
B. C. Stalley
R. H. Hall
J. M. Pittman
G. W. Richey
H. C. Neal
H. W. Lane
King Jaynes
L. J. Brumbelow

Fred Hodges
T. O. Black
Earl Clark
Allen Stringfellow
J. T. Francis
G. D. McGlothlin
W. A. Logan
C. C. Moore
L. J. Sledge
Roy Cox
Ed Fisher
R. F. Carter
O. H. Vaughan
R. C. Boswell
Jesse Gallaber
Roy Hayes
J. W. Carter
Lee Welch
O. E. Harvey
F. D. Whitlock
J. K. Anderson
W. B. McClure
H. Stacey
C. E. Chambless
B. D. Norwood
Leroy Wilson
G. W. Elliott
W. J. Burdett
R. G. Stanton
G. A. Lewis
J. H. Roper
Willie Hanes
B. F. Hulsey
C. B. Stephens
E. C. West
O. E. Steele
O. G. Moreland
Pierce Harris
Zettie Edwards
B. E. Power
C. H. McKinzie
H. F. Northcutt
J. R. Ottwell
C. H. Allen
V. Loudermilk
John Land
L. K. Daniel
W. L. Kight
J. J. Smith
T. A. Singleton
I. E. Goodson
M. Graham
W. C. Shelton
G. L. Eaton
V. C. Boyd
J. R. Williams
W. R. Randal
D. D. Emery
I. C. Jones
J. H. Kerley
Luther Stephens
B. Grainger
R. K. Timmons
C. F. Coker
B. L. Boen
J. L. Brumbelow
L. O. Morgan

Those whose questionnaires will be mailed on Tues. Dec. 18.
Charley Stephenson
S. B. Nelson
C. M. Phillips
A. N. Kennedy
Henry Mosley
T. A. Thompson
Seldom McKay
R. W. Stakley
C. A. Chastain
Henry Stephenson
A. C. Jones
W. H. David
K. Taylor
W. L. Bynum
W. W. Allen
W. W. Harvey Jr
W. C. Mayhall
G. L. Chapman
Ben Rhodes
J. O. Short
V. P. Morrison
C. F. Smith
J. D. Falkner
Jess Guill
E. C. Gray
W. J. Davidson
J. E. Rachels
W. O. Samuels
C. L. McDaniel
J. W. Northcutt
C. Weatherby
J. A. Rogers
F. M. Waddle
C. D. Simmons
J. F. Stephens
D. Nichols
R. M. Walker
B. A. Howell
C. E. Wetzel
Evan Barker
S. W. Foster
J. J. Norwood
J. M. Marshall
W. I. Bilbrey
R. E. Gore
J. C. Roberts

C. L. Burt
Lee Drennan
R. C. Permitter
W. H. Falkner
W. H. Bradley
A. Collinsworth
A. E. Pettitt
J. L. Lambreth
W. W. Williamson
R. H. McCullough
J. W. Collins
J. B. Dyson
C. S. Graham
W. C. Richardson
W. L. Underwood
R. N. Cogburn
J. B. Hancock
S. H. Gray
W. M. Little
J. A. Lee
O. J. Swann
C. H. Irvin
R. L. Richardson
V. K. Little
H. M. Foster
A. W. Cheney
G. R. Goosby
Scott Vancleave
B. L. Honea
Walter Kennedy
J. E. Steele
A. L. Whitlock
Daniel Tomlin
J. C. McQuatters
G. H. Lubke
Thomas Northcutt
C. M. Morris
Harvey Redwine
O. B. Gregory
B. L. Brannon
Webb Duval
W. D. Watson
T. J. Johnson
R. B. Smith
C. C. Murphee
H. M. O'Brien
G. G. McCarty
J. W. Garrett
J. T. Elliott
S. L. Rankin
C. J. Whitlock
John George
C. A. Hitt
J. D. Pitts
N. H. Crow

Those whose questionnaires will be mailed on Wed. Dec. 19.
O. G. Cottrell
H. E. Austin
E. A. Warren
E. O. Steadham
H. May
T. D. Robinett
J. D. Long
R. M. Morris
W. M. Alsop
W. E. Heath
John Little
M. L. Cloud
J. H. Kemp
J. D. Auvenshine
A. J. Griffith
Vernon Fogle
W. J. Parsons
W. J. Brewer
W. P. Whitlock
R. H. Kennedy
Ernest Denny
George Jenkins
J. E. Burdett
W. D. Armstrong
C. S. Carville
H. T. Alexander
Oliver Daniel
W. E. McDonald
J. E. Mills
R. P. Jackson
I. A. White
Joe Gaines
Van Clark
E. E. Morgan
J. M. Munn
W. H. Hughes
W. T. Hadaaway
F. R. Rogers
J. F. Davis
W. J. Bradley
J. J. Lowrey
H. H. Durham
E. B. Allsup
Eual Elms
E. M. Teeters
J. J. Howell
H. E. Davidson
C. R. Deal
D. N. Beaty
D. A. Boyd
A. W. Brunner
J. T. Kerley
J. A. Coan
F. R. Gore
T. C. Stephens
H. L. Fritts
J. L. Williamson
L. Armstrong

Sam Evans
A. A. Fisher
W. L. Raymond
A. A. Chambers
C. Blackmore
A. T. Hafford
W. H. Johnson
W. H. Gore
A. J. Coker
B. V. Nabors
C. R. Westmoreland
L. G. Wood
J. H. Mitchell
I. E. Pittman
Sam Williams
J. A. Pettijohn
Oscar Cartwright
L. Z. Gotcher
J. M. Brooks
H. C. Munn
C. L. Williams
J. H. Hall
W. J. Boyd
J. B. Green
E. W. Turnipseed
J. S. Carville
J. L. Boreland
J. M. McCrary
C. C. Underwood
H. H. Vaughn
W. E. Walls
O. L. Elliott
T. E. Jeffers
G. C. Lassiter
C. W. Switzer
Albert Gilchrist
L. G. Stewart
James Falkner
I. C. Plumlee
E. R. Walker
John Lewis
W. A. Newsome
W. P. Slaughter

Those whose questionnaires will be mailed on Thurs. Dec. 20
Ernest Laymond
A. H. Rinehart
Z. Rogers
E. M. Bear
W. T. Skinner
R. R. Cook
J. E. Talley
Tolley Caudle
J. F. Kennedy
G. H. Wilson
N. N. Durham
Clarence Green
Jess Williamson
J. C. Allen
C. L. Odell
J. W. Warren
J. H. Nelson
Fred Noel
A. R. Swearingin
R. T. Hughes
J. S. Seiter
W. A. Hall
C. W. Park
P. C. McCulley
W. Gasaway
Tom Summers
Clyde Kirk
C. F. Cloud
W. Ross
J. D. Couch
A. J. Tackett
L. R. Standridge
A. R. White
A. L. Tolar
H. J. Russell
D. S. Floyd
R. K. Wallace
W. L. Ingram
C. C. Cagle
J. A. Turnbow
S. W. Coan
J. H. Carter
S. R. Parkman
W. W. Stewart
Jesse Morgan
W. S. Adams
J. M. Zuniga
Joe Flynn
A. C. McCain
N. S. Loudermilk
Roy Spruill
J. I. South
J. A. Grisham
L. D. Osbourn
I. E. Loving
G. W. Munn
L. M. Hall
J. P. Kitchen
M. P. Pounds
Harry Rogers
J. O. Sparks
W. A. Bear
W. R. Lewis
C. W. Norton
C. T. Bowman
Silas Walters
E. F. Walker
Lonnie Park
W. E. Kiser
W. M. Powell

ANOTHER INCREMENT OF DRAFTED MEN TO LEAVE

Date of Entrainment Dec. 19; Will Be Sent to Ft. McArthur, Cal.

That another increment of drafted men will be sent away in a few days is decided definitely according to the following information.

On Tuesday of this week the local board received a telegram asking if it could furnish 65 men for the artillery department at Fort McArthur, on Dec. 18, and upon being wired that the men could be had from the county the commandant wired that the men would be called for in a few days and that date of entrainment would be sent Thursday.

It has been definitely decided that the boys will be sent on Dec. 19, at 2:30 p. m. There are 85 boys who have been accepted for service and who have not yet been sent to the camps and from this number 65 will be sent.

The 65 men will be entrained at 2:30 p. m., Dec. 19, via Brownwood.

In order that the necessary number of men and alternates be present the board will notify all the boys who are accepted to be present and weed out those to go on the day they are called.

ALL ACCEPTED MEN AND THEIR RELATIVES SHOULD TAKE NOTICE OF THIS.

COMANCHE BANKS CONSOLIDATE

On Thursday of this week negotiations were completed whereby The Farmers & Merchants National Bank and The First State Bank were consolidated. The consolidation will become operative within a few days and the new bank will be known as The First State Bank and will conduct the business at the present stand of The First State Bank. Mr. Anthony will have charge of the new institution. Mr. Cunningham will go to Waco where he becomes the head of the bookkeeping department of The Meadows Grocery Co. Time forbids a more detailed statement of the transactions.

TOM FAGAN DEAD.

Tom Emmitt Fagan, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Fagan of Comanche, died at Camp Bowie Dec. 8, of measles and pneumonia and was buried at Zion Hill cemetery on Monday, Dec. 10, Rev. Smallwood conducting the services.

Tom was born in Comanche county and has lived here most of his life.

He went into service at Haskell, Texas, and was sent to Camp Travis from which he was later transferred to Camp Bowie, in 143rd Infantry in Co. F.

He is survived by his parents and three brothers and one sister, all of whom reside here. Tom was a young man of excellent character and went into the service of his country to do whatsoever was required as his part in defense of his country's name.

Great is the sacrifice that was demanded of him and greater is the sacrifice of the parents that gave him to his country's call but they can console themselves with the knowledge that their son gave all that a man may give in the great cause of the nation and left them a reputation in which they can take pride throughout the rest of their lives.

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LADIES OF COMANCHE SEND COMFORTS TO CAMP BOWIE

Thursday a number of Comanche's ladies completed and shipped 40 cot comforts to Camp Bowie to be given to the boys there.

Capt. White said that his boys needed these comforts and the noble ladies of Comanche have responded. For the past five or six days these good ladies have been at work almost without ceasing on these to complete them at the earliest possible moment and today the product of their labors were sent to the boys in camp. Comanche women will ever rise to meet the occasion of sacrifice that will be demanded of them.

BOY SCOUTS TO BACK ENTERTAINMENT

The Boy Scouts have secured for Comanche a lyceum attraction in the Sunshine Concert Company, who will give a performance at the high school auditorium on Dec. 20th.

This concert company is highest grade talent and those attending are assured of an excellent evening's entertainment. The Boy Scouts deserve to be congratulated on their pluck and deserve and will receive the backing of the public in their entertainment.

Married at the Methodist Parsonage.

In a single ceremony Rev. J. T. Ferguson at 4:30 p. m., Thursday afternoon at his home, united in Marriage H. L. Boyd and Miss Arden Jackson, and Ollie Lassiter and Miss Lillian Reed.

All four of the parties in this double wedding are well known in their communities, all either living or having lived at Downing some time in their lives. They all come from the very best families of the county and we join their many friends in wishing them happy lives together.

Gene Neely Makes All American Guard

According to press dispatches of today our fellow townsman, Gene Neely, was accorded the place of Guard on the All American eleven. Neely is a Texan. He is a Comancheite. All Texas should take pride in him. All Comanche does.

Railroads to Give No Christmas Holiday Rates This Year.

On account of war conditions no railroads will give Christmas holiday rates this year, according to information furnished us by Frisco Agent Jessup. The immense rush of freight, etc., has congested traffic and the railroad people are discouraging useless travel as far as it is possible.

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Jim Johnson
C. E. Morton
Fergus Cooper
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AMERICAN FARMERS are patriotic. American farmers are self-sacrificing. They are sending their boys over the sea. They are manning the plows while their sons are the rifle carriers of democracy. Every available acre must be tilled in 1918. There is certain to be a most extraordinary demand for foods and feeds. All the world appears to be hungry and the mouths of the world must be fed. America is pushing the most gigantic ship building program ever conceived since time began. America is building steel ships and steel wooden ships. These are to be the carriers of commerce. These are to make America invincible after peace shall come.—Fort Worth Record.

The quarrel of capital and labor is the most serious problem confronting our government at this critical time. Our President and his helpers, who need every minute of their time for war troubles, must turn from the enemy that threatens destruction of all that is worth living for, and try to keep down strikes in factories, mines and on railroads. Capital is stubborn and labor is selfish, and neither seems to care a cent what becomes of the country if only its demands can be enforced. There isn't enough patriotism in the heart of the man who gives cause for a strike, or strikes without cause, at a time like this to fill the soul of an ant, and in our opinion the disturbers of the peace, whether capitalists or laborers, are traitors and ought to be dealt with as such.—Honey Grove Signal.

OUR COLLEGE BOYS. Our few months at war have brought many long suffering and cynical parents to realize that American colleges are institutions with a deeper and more permanent purpose than the encouragement of athletes, the origination of haberdashery fashions and the breeding of silk-sock socialists. Hardly a college of any description, even correspondence, but has representation in the ranks, and an impartial analysis would demonstrate that the football heroes of the schools were far more prompt to respond to the call of real

battle than are the gunmen bravados of the big cities. When the full, authentic story is told of the part played by the college men in this war, the hackneyed sneer, so popular with imperfectly self-made men, at the college education, will be about as vogue as the iron cross.—Life.

WILL FAT PEOPLE PASS? It is a disturbing thought, yet doubtless not without its compensations. Fat people have not had an easy time of it. They have been the victims of coarse jokes and subjected to more or less physical discomfort. Added to these trials, they may now be expected to be regarded with a certain amount of suspicion. No fat person, of course, will acknowledge that he eat smuch. But his bulk and the crushing force of chemistry and mathematics are against him. Fat people are scarce in countries where food is scarce. Why should it not be a good idea to set one fat person in ten, and just for the good cheer of the neighbors, let him remain where he is? We understand, of course, the grim necessity of conserving food. But after all, we must have the spirit to go on and conquer; and a few fat people scattered among us will breed courage and cheerfulness.—Life.

THIS CHRISTMAS.

No Christmas in America since first Columbus came

Was ever quite like this one. A hot and purging flame

Has knit our hearts and purified, as long as it endures

The War is Mine and Thine and His and Hers and Ours—and Yours!

We all have tasks from which there lies no true exemption claim;

For old or young or rich or poor, the duty is the same:

From linked hearts seize double strength! And all along the line,

This War is Yours and Ours and Hers and His and Thine—and Mine!

A TRIBUTE TO MY MOTHER-IN-LAW

Note.—So oft is the mother-in-law scored that we print this, the only kind word we ever saw, regarding the "mother-in-law."

Who was it taught my wife to bake

A loaf of bread or fancy cake,

And appetizing dishes make?

My mother-in-law.

Who was it, when my wife was ill,

Bestowed upon her care and skill,

And saved to me a nurse's bill?

My mother-in-law.

Who then my little ones prepared

Each morn for school, who for them cared,

And all their little sorrows shared?

My mother-in-law.

Who was it, when their prayers were said,

So snugly tucked them into bed,

And, till they slept, beside them stayed?

My mother-in-law.

Who of my clothing then took care,

Who overlooked my underwear,

And kept each garment in repair?

My mother-in-law.

Who oft to me her aid is lent

To buy the coal and pay the rent?

Who'd gladly see me president?

My mother-in-law.

A loving grandmother is she,

A generous friend she's been to me,

Forever honored let her be—

My mother-in-law.

—Dallas News.

Christmas Music

RING out, ye crystal spheres!

Once bless our human ears,

If ye have power to touch our senses so,

And let your silver chime

Move in melodious time,

And let the bass of heaven's

deep organ blow,

And with your ninefold harmony

Make up full consort to the

angelic symphony

For if such holy song

Incarnate our fancy long,

Time will run back and

fetch the age of gold,

And speckled vanity

Will sicken soon and die,

And leprous sin will melt

from earthly mold,

And hell itself will pass away

And leave her dolorous mansions

to the peering day.

Yea, Truth and Justice then

Will down return to men

Orbed in a rainbow, and,

like glories wearing,

Mercy will set between,

Throned in celestial sheen,

With radiant feet tread

clouds down steering,

And heaven, as at some festival,

Will open wide the gates of

her high palace hall.

—John Milton.

his pipe, and at about the ninth attempt an enemy shell came across, flinging him flat on the ground, and plowing up the earth in the immediate vicinity. After he had recovered somewhat he made one more endeavor, remarking aggrievedly:

"What with these French matches and this 'ere bloomin' Belgian tobacco, my life very soon won't be worth living."—Tit-Bits.

"Does your grocer attempt to explain high prices?"

"He did at first. Now he merely shudders as he accepts the money, and I groan."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Taking No Chances

"In Heaven," promised the colored evangelist, "there will be great banquets and sumptuous feasts."

"Yeh-uh huh-dat's fine," commented a dusky negress in the audience, "but tell me, young feller, who's gwine wash dem dishes, huh?"—Life.

Use Your Spoon

Now leave no sugar in your cup. 'Twould be the worst of crimes. Take just enough, and melt it up—for these be stirring times.—Life.

Wrecked.

Mrs. Santa Claus: Land sakes! Claus, you look like a wreck. What's the matter—eyelone?

Santa Claus: Worse. Germany. They ate my reindeer, melted my sleigh bells for bullets and confiscated my whiskers for fodder before I could get away.—Life.

"Has Bliggins an ear for music?"

"Yes. The trouble is that he won't limit himself to his ears, but insists on trying to use his voice."—Washington Star.

He Wins.

A man who was showing off by



Today women are proud to show their skill in cake-making—without expensive butter. And they find, too, they don't need so many eggs and other rich materials. They are using wholesome Cottolene because Cottolene puts both economy and flavor into their cakes, cookies, pastry—into all their baking and frying.

RECIPE

Caraway Cookies

½ cup Cottolene 1 level teaspoon salt
2 cups sugar Flour
2 eggs well beaten 1½ tablespoons caraway seeds.
1 level teaspoon soda
1 cup buttermilk Raisins

Cream Cottolene, add sugar gradually, eggs, soda dissolved in milk, salt, seeds, and flour to make a soft dough. Chill dough, roll, cut. Place seeded raisin in center of each cookie.

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Merry Christmas



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Dexter Walling

NORTH SIDE SQUARE.

diving into the sea and staying under the water for a time, after one dive came up and found that he had remained under water for two minutes.

"That's going some," he bragged.

"I'll bet that a record around here!"

"Oh, no, it ain't!" replied a spectator.

"A man dived in here this time yesterday, and he ain't come up yet!"—Tit-Bits.

A Christmas Prayer

'Tis Christmas time again, and we Are cursed with gifts ferocious; But those we sent will likely be As equally atrocious.

And so we make this prayerful plea

To those who have incensed us: "Forgive our Christmas gifts as we

Do those who gift against us!"

H. P.

Aunt Elvira rushed into the house, hysterical.

"I've lost my hearing!" she shouted.

"You have?" her frightened sister shouted back. "How do you know?"

"See that man out there playing

that hand-organ? Well, I hear a single note!" and Elvira wept afresh.

"That's a moving picture photographer at work!" snapped sister.—Daily Press.

MEN OF MUSCULAR POWER POSSESS ABUNDANCE OF IRON

Iron in the blood makes living matter out of the food you eat

Muscular mechanics work on years and years with untiring strength, each day accomplish something that benefits the world. We often wonder at this and to ourselves: "Why is it I can do a simple task and before I am tired I'm so tired I can't stand." It is no secret and is due to a lack of iron in your blood necessary to transform the food you eat into living matter.

For years, perhaps, you will remain in this condition, doing things half heartedly and never getting ahead. You get careless and impatient and a look of misery grips hold of your features.

Iron in the blood will strengthen the system so that dyspepsia, liver and other troubles disappear. But there are many forms of iron. The proper kind to take is one of an assimilable form, that will not discolor the teeth nor upset the stomach. This form, familiarly known as "BLAUD'S MASS," contained in PEP SYSTEM PILLS and strengthens by other alternative and reconstructive to the system.

Pep Systemic Pills can also be taken for such maladies as nervousness, constipation, malaria, boils, sleeplessness and a general run down, fagged-out system.

Try a course of these pills today. Dispensed by The Wm. Reese Co. and other live druggists here.

ACCEPT NO SUBSTITUTE FOR THESE PILLS.

Pantry Battalion Regulations

The pan is mightier than the sword. Live economically and let live. A half loaf is better than no loaf at all.

None but the brave deserves the best fare.

You cannot be a glutton and a patriot.

Save food and save the world.

A foolish entertainer and her allowance are soon parted.

A soldier in need is a shame in deed.

A potato saved is a battle gained.

Learn to eat everything. All's fare in war.

FRIVOLITY

His Generosity

A "Tommy," lying in a hospital, had beside him a watch of curious and foreign design. The attending doctor was interested. "Where did your watch come from?" he asked.

"A German gave it to me," he

answered.

A little piqued, the doctor inquired how the foe had come to convey this token of esteem and affection.

"'E 'ad to," was the laconic reply.—Toronto Globe.

Feminine Courage

"I often think," she said, "that women are more courageous than men."

"I know they are," he replied.

"Where is there a man who would have the courage to pull out a mirror and doll himself up before a crowd in a restaurant?"—London Opinion.

Casey: Finnegan got his loife insured last June an' he's dead so quick.

Cassidy: Shure, he must have had a pull wid de insurance company.—Boston Transcript.

"Now, Bobbie, you mustn't tell anybody that you saw me kissing your sister."

"Aw, that's what they all say!"—Life.

Lost His Enthusiasm

The worried countenance of the bridegroom disturbed the best man. Tiptoeing up the aisle, he whispered:

"What's the matter, Jock? Hae ye lost the ring?"

"No," blurted out the unhappy Jock, "the ring's safe eno'. But mon, I've lost ma enthusiasm."

—Southern Woman's Magazine.

Little Irritations.

Tommy was making determined but unsuccessful endeavors to light

Cream Producers

Our Cream Station is now permanently located at our old stand across the street in front of the express office.

It is our aim to keep a competent man in charge at all times.

A square deal to everybody is our guarantee.

We pay the top price always. Bring us your next can of cream.

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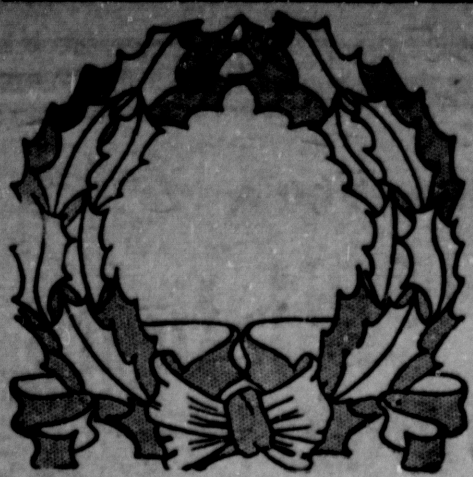
Comanche, Texas

A Merry Christmas A Happy New Year To You is My Wish

I will appreciate your Holiday Tailoring Trade and will give your work the same careful expert attention that has marked my long tailoring career in Comanche.

GILLE, The Tailor

NORTH SIDE SQUARE



Our Merry Christmas Is Best

Shown by Our "Worth the Money" Gifts



The Spirit of War Christmas

The spirit of this, America's first War Christmas in over half a century, demands that nothing be wasted. But the spirit of conservation need in no way detract from the gayety of the Holiday Season. You can give and know all the joy of giving, and yet make your gifts sensible and useful presents that detract none from Christmas pleasures and yet are in no way wasteful.

Our Christmas Wish

That every moment of your Christmas be filled with pleasure, and that the incoming New Year will bring you success immeasurable, and that our pleasant relations of the past year will continue throughout 1918, is our Christmas wish.

The Cash Store
Where a dollar does its duty

Our Big Line of Useful Gifts

Our stock of goods contains any and all the useful articles that will make practical gifts that will bring joy to the receiver and prove a source of satisfaction after the Holidays are sped. Our Dry Goods department especially contains many useful articles in wearing apparel that will please any member of the family.

WITH OUR LODGES

Gustine I. O. O. F. Elects.

The following officers were elected for the year 1918 at the regular meeting held December 4th, 1917:

W. W. Odell, N. G.
P. G. Wimberly, V. G.
B. M. Franks, Rec. Sec.
W. H. Jarrett, Treasurer.
T. B. Seago, Grand Rep.

Mercers Gap I. O. O. F. Elects.

The following officers were elected for the year 1918 at the regular meeting held December 6th, 1917.

F. J. Woods, N. G.
J. R. Rushing, V. G.
R. B. Waldrop, Secy.
D. A. Brown, Treasurer.
J. A. Osborn, Trustee.

Gustine Woodman Circle Elects.

The following officers were elected for the year 1918 at the regular meeting held December 8th, 1917.

Mrs. Lydia B. Honea, Guardian.
Mrs. Tennie Elazie, Adviser Lieutenant.
Miss Viola Sneath, Banker.
Mrs. Carrie K. Franks, Clerk.
Mrs. Lillian Tatum, Attendant.
Mrs. Jennie Smith, Chaplain.
Miss Emma Sneath, Watchman.

Mrs. Laura Ingram, Sentry.
Mrs. Willie Wyatt, Auditor.
Mrs. Autney Marshall, Auditor.
Mrs. Odell Morgan, Auditor.
Dr. W. D. Collins, Physician.
Dr. J. P. Brown, Physician.

Mercers Gap Woodman Circle Elects.

The following officers were elected for the year 1918 at the regular meeting held December 1st, 1917.

Eva Gore, Guardian.
Una Lake, Adviser Lieutenant.
Mattie McKinzie, Banker.
Marintha Gore, Clerk.
Texie Couch, Attendant.
Sarah Waldrop, Chaplain.
Susie McKinzie, Watchman.
Vena McKinzie, Sentry.
Nettie Fletcher, Auditor.
Oma McKinzie, Auditor.
Edith Edwards, Auditor.
L. B. Thomas, Physician.
A. J. Gray, Physician.
I. T. Clemons, Physician.

Hasse Woodman Circle Elects.

The following officers were elected for the year 1918, at the regular meeting held December 1st, 1917.

Emma Davis, Guardian.
Janet McNutt, Adviser Lieutenant.
Pearl Parkman, Banker.

Margaret Davis, Clerk.
Mattie Norwood, Attendant.
Irene Kerley, Chaplain.
Winnie Gafford, Inner Sentinel.
Bell Smallwood, Outer Sentinel.
E. Davis, Alpha Ross and Mary Davis, Managers.
Dr. Clemons, Physician.

Cross Roads W. O. W. Elects.

The following officers were elected for the year 1918 at the regular meeting held December 8th, 1917.

Cal Fritts, Consul Commander.
Walter Beam, Adviser Lieutenant.
Wink Love, Banker.
N. F. Williams, Clerk.
Troy Williams, Escort.
D. G. Cummings, Watchman.
R. H. McDonald, Sentry.
George Black, Auditor.
A. J. Coker, Auditor.
R. Sliger, Auditor.
Dr. Clemons, Physician.
Dr. Collins, Physician.

Gustine W. O. W. Elects.

The following officers were elected for the year 1918 at the regular meeting held December 1st, 1917.

P. G. Wimberly, Consul Commander.
P. A. Pettit, Adviser Lieutenant.
E. P. Young, Banker.
R. L. Irwin, Clerk.
R. O. Renfro, Escort.
J. W. Rinehart, Watchman.
Ebb Adams, Sentry.
J. M. Young, Auditor.
B. F. Perkins, Auditor.
K. M. Newborn, Auditor.
W. D. Collins, Physician.

Soda Springs W. O. W. Elects.

The following officers were elected for the year 1918 at the regular meeting held December 1st, 1917.

W. E. Payne, Consul Commander.
C. F. Smith, Adviser Lieutenant.
R. L. Robertson, Banker.
S. C. Vineyard, Clerk.
W. S. Clark, Escort.
W. J. Davidson, Watchman.
H. Davidson, Sentry.
J. M. Roberson, Auditor.
J. W. Power, Auditor.
J. F. Power, Auditor.
I. T. Clemons, Physician.

Rucker W. O. W. Elects.

The following officers were elected for the year 1918 at the regular meeting held December 1st, 1917.

T. F. Grisham, Consul Commander.
L. J. Grisham, Adviser Lieutenant.
W. F. Bryant, Banker.
R. A. Pittman, Clerk.
J. C. James, Escort.
W. S. Allgood, Watchman.
J. E. Grisham, Sentry.
T. E. McAdoo, Auditor.
W. H. Baker, Auditor.
J. W. Allgood, Auditor.
J. E. Self, De Leon, Physician.
E. Blackwell, Gorman, Physician.

Corrected List of Mercers Gap Elects.

Mercers Gap Camp W. O. W. elected the following officers December 1st, 1917.

Doe R. Edwards, Consul Commander.
J. R. Rushing, Adviser Lieutenant.
R. B. Waldrop, Banker.
G. C. McKinzie, Clerk.
Tom Shoemaker, Escort.
Tom McKinzie, Watchman.
D. A. Brown, Sentinel.

H. B. Rogers, Manager.
J. A. Osborne, Manager.
J. H. McKinzie, Manager.
Dr. Clemons, Physician.
Dr. Thomas, Physician.
Dr. Cobb, Physician.
J. C. Edwards, Captain.
Camp meets first and fourth Saturday nights. Visiting Sovereigns welcome.

Energy I. O. O. F. Elects.

The following officers were elected for the year 1918 at our regular meeting held December 1st, 1917.

Fred I. Brannon, N. G.
G. T. Rudd, V. G.
W. S. Rudd, Rec. Secy.
I. T. Brannon, Treasurer.
W. H. Trimble, Trustee.

Sipe Springs Woodman Circle Elects.

The following Officers were elected for the year 1918 at the regular meeting held December 1st, 1917.

Hope Westbrook, Guardian.
Mattie Duke, Adviser Lieutenant.
Annie Barton, Banker.
Eunice Creed, Clerk.
Mary Needham, Attendant.
Susan Evans, Chaplain.
Dovie Dishman, Watchman.
Matilda Jones, Sentry.
Mary Small, Auditor.
Mattie Ashinhurst, Auditor.
Annie Jay, Auditor.
W. J. Westbrook, Physician.

Comanche Grove Elects.

Comanche Grove No. 1210 Woodman Circle, elected officers December 7th, for 1918.

Mrs. Zedie Campbell, Past Guardian.
May Cameron, Guardian.
Francis Leach, Adviser.
Lillie B. Greer, Clerk.
Anna Carleton, Banker.
Anna Wood, Attendant.

"A Merry Christmas To All The World"

MORE ESPECIALLY OUR PATRONS FOR THE YEAR JUST DRAWING TO A CLOSE.

WE ASSURE YOU EACH AND EVERY ONE OF OUR HEARTY APPRECIATION OF YOUR PATRONAGE AND TRUST THAT THROUGHOUT THE LONG LINE OF YEARS TO COME OUR RELATIONS WILL CONTINUE MUTUAL.

COMANCHE CREAMERY

JIM T. JONES, Manager.

Viola Rackley, Assistant Attendant.

Jennie Jones, Chaplain.
Minnie Williams, M. B. Sullivan, Zedie Campbell, Managers.
Dr. I. T. Clemons, Physician.
Grove meets first and third Friday afternoons.

A Hint to Wise Women.
Don't suffer tortures when all female troubles will vanish in thin air after using "Femenina." Price 50c and \$1.00.

On First Symptoms
use "Renovine" and be cured. Do not wait until the heart organ is beyond repair. "Renovine" is the heart and nerve tonic. Price 50c and \$1.00.

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We sell storage batteries.
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With every purchase of \$1.00 or more will give free one set gold filled beauty pins.
With every purchase of \$1.00 or more cut glass, free a beautiful cut glass basket.

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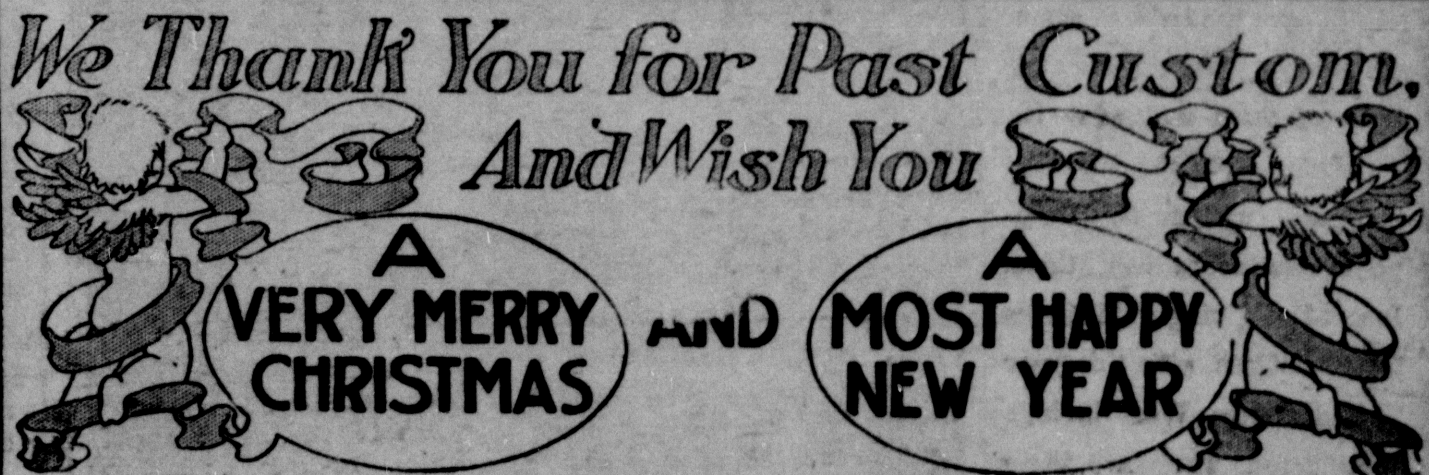
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You like good biscuits, don't you? And you like to see other folks enjoy them.

And you also love to make and serve good light bread, cakes and pastries.

And when you do serve them to your "folks," or your guests, you want to enjoy the satisfaction of knowing yourself, that there's none better made by anybody.

For perfect satisfaction you must use good flour—flour that hasn't been "killed" in milling, as is the case with some flour.

We would feel highly honored if you would try some of our Big Chief flour we grind personally by the wonderful "Midget" Marvel mill process, the most modern and only sanitary method known for making fine flour, thus assuring you perfect satisfaction in your baking and the serving of everything you bake.

Won't you try it, just once? If you are not entirely satisfied, we will give you your money back.

Thanking you in advance for trying our flour and with best wishes, we are
Most cordially yours,

Comanche Milling Co.

By J. P. Hoff

A Christmas Suggestion

Had you thought that owing to the present conditions this might be the last Christmas at which all your sons will be present?

And after the family becomes separated, some never to return, how much you would wish for a group photograph of all the members of the family together?

We have an attractive proposition in family groups made at our studio and we urge you to have the family group photograph made.

This Christmas A. D. Backstrom Photographer

For good lump coal at \$6.50 per ton phone J. C. Henderson at The Chief-Exponent Office, phone No. 2.

OUR HUNT INTO MEXICO.

Note—B. H. Baxter and Gerald Bryson returned Tuesday from the border of Old Mexico with more game than has been brought here by perhaps any hunters in the past twenty-five years. Upon request Mr. Baxter wrote the following account of the trip.

On Saturday, December 1st, myself and G. C. Bryson planned and executed a deer, turkey and bear hunt into Mexico. Leaving Comanche about 3 o'clock Saturday evening, accompanied by Mrs. G. C. Bryson and son, Hicks, as far as Millersview while they stayed with Mrs. Will Bryson while Will and Mr. Jim Woods joined us there for the hunt, arriving there about 9 o'clock that night.

From there we went to Menard Junction City, Barksdale, Uvalde and Batesville, arriving at Batesville next evening about 4 o'clock, and being joined by my brother, Jim Baxter, who piloted us to the deer range, pitching camp that night about ten-thirty.

The next morning Jim killed a fat spike buck, drawing first blood and venison for the crowd, that evening we hunted in the hills with no luck, also next morning; so Jim called Mr. Flours over the phone getting permission to go to his ranch bordering Texas and Mexico. We moved camp immediately arriving there that night.

The next morning Gerald and myself hunting together spied two big fine bucks across the river these being the only game seen that morning, also nothing turned up for the crowd that evening, so Gerald Bryson Jim Baxter and myself decided to brave Villa Carranza or any one else and cross the river that night, so while all was still and quiet we three sneaked across on a raft which wemanufactured, arriving across about 3 the next morning. We then slipped about 3 miles over in the hills and lay down to await daylight, and at the first sight of daybreak we separated about 50 yards apart and commenced our drive in the hills. After going about a quarter of a mile I heard a report to my left and after investigating found Jim with a fine twelve-point buck weighing about 120 pounds. We lay in the thicket about 30 minutes watching for Mexicans, and so none appeared on the scene, we set to work to dress the boy.

In the meanwhile Gerald, becoming uneasy, turned back to us, jumping five deer, shooting a ten-point buck and running the other four straight to where we were. Jim jumped up and knocked another big one down before I could get to my feet, so we dressed that one, being joined in the mean-

while by Gerald, and started on our way back toward camp. When we came in about half a mile of camp we got in a thicket and eat our cold lunch and played pitch until dark that night, then slipped back to our raft, sneaked back across the river with our three deer. Gerald and myself then decided to get a few hours sleep and cross again that night; so about one o'clock we crossed over, making our way again to the spot of the night before. Starting out about daylight again I killed a large buck and a small one with in fifty yards of where Jim had killed his two. Dressing them I hung them up in a tree and went on toward the hill we were to meet at. After passing up several small deer and numbers of does I fired at a regular monster with a chair on his head, but missed, then going on met Gerald who had a small spike buck on his back. We then sat down in a trail, back to back, and watched it for about 15 or 20 minutes for deer to cross, directly Gerald began to open up on a buck; I turned to watch him and two crossed on my side; then I opened up the bombardment, both firing about 20 shots in about 15 minutes without drawing blood. Then finding we had only four shells left for our guns we decided to get back to the thicket where my deer was. Arriving near the spot I felt Gerald's gun in my back punching me in the same manner a cowboy would punch a steer in a dipping vat, so not knowing what was the matter I was just going to hand him a punch or two when he handed me another like the first and said in a hoarse trembling voice: Look yonder, shoot him. I looked the way he was pointing and just the one look was enough. I had no inclination whatever to shoot, I wanted to "scoot" instead. There nosing around where I had dressed my deer stood a large black bear, we proceeded to drop quietly to the ground, I all the while trying to get a bead on the old boy's eye. But it is much easier to draw a bead on a clay pigeon at home on our local gun club grounds over the trap than at a big black four hundred pound bear, and only two cartridges in my gun and a wide river to swim to get back home. Gerald likewise was trying to get a bead or get under the leaves one, I can't swear which; however, Mr. Bruin, after rambling a few minutes deliberately wobbled off not shot full of holes, as you would suppose, but unharmed—not even shot at. I looked at Gerald and said, why in the dickens didn't you shoot him. He said O, thunder, I was waiting for you to kill him, you have been wanting to kill one all along on this trip. I



WALK RIGHT IN
AND
LOOK AROUND

The Christmas Spirit IS MANIFEST Everywhere

We wish to thank our many customers for their patronage of the past and solicit a large share of your future business.

*That You May Enjoy
A Merry Christmas
and a
Prosperous 1918
is Our Wish*

Burks Mercantile Co.
Comanche, Texas

Send Santa Claus to the Front

You and your neighbors together may win a battle for America—you can SURVIVE help to save the lives of some of our boys. Great guns and many of them will do it. Squadrons of Tanks, moving steel forts, will do it. Help your country to buy them. Instead of giving gold pieces for Christmas, give this year United States War Savings Certificates. They are little \$5.00 Government Bonds bearing 4% COMPOUND interest. They cost \$4.12 during December.

They are better than gold, and when you buy them you aid your country. Won't you give them instead of gold pieces this Christmas?



First National Bank

OF COMANCHE

Capital & Surplus, \$120,000.00

BANK WITH US!

however, found I had my safety on, so I told him, but you know my gun hasn't any safety on it.

It seemed we were doomed to have lots of excitement on this expedition, for, after carrying our deer, making two trips to the river we went back and lay down and slept until about 5-and then started back toward the river with the four shells and our guns.

We were proceeding slowly thru the woods when a small buck hopped out and stopped, both shooting him and killing him instantly. Dressing him we started to the river where our three other deer were hanging. We saw about three hundred yards off one of the largest bucks, they say, has been killed in that part of the country, weighing two hundred and twenty nine pounds dressed. I had the small deer we had just killed on my back. Gerald was carrying the guns. He dropped to his knees and fired; at the report of the gun the buck jumped into the air and hopped off about twenty steps and stopped, we could see his front leg was hanging. I then persuaded Gerald to let me shoot the last shell; so I drew a bead and shot at his shoulder, this time he bit the dust, but came up again and went to hobbling off with both front legs broke at the knees. We ran on to him and I was leading when he reared up and made a drive at me. I did not lose any time getting behind a tree either, I can tell you. Gerald, who was an excited witness to all this ran up and leaping to the deer's back grasped his horns in the manner a cowboy throws a steer and twisted his head over trying to throw him, but the buck was too strong and flung him over his head, Gerald, however, holding fast to his horns. The deer finding he had a man to deal with, then dropped to the ground on his hock and tried to horn him, failing in this he went to working with his back hoofs, knocking Gerald's cap from his head, and cutting his shirt and coat almost from his body. Seeing Gerald had more than his hands full, I took a hand, diving

between his hind legs, I managed to get hold of his hind legs and tie them together; then we both, after about 20 minutes struggle, managed to cut his throat. We then worked until after two o'clock getting our game across the river, and found Mr. Woods and Will Will Bryson had bagged one almost as large on this side.

We then decided to come home that evening as we had all the game we could haul home, arriving home Tuesday with our game. The largest deer had a spread of 26 inches from tip to tip of his horns, and weighed 229 pounds dressed.

If you have no appetite for your meals, something is wrong in your digestive organs. Take a dose or two of Prickly Ash Bitters. It cleanses the stomach, liver and bowels, creates appetite, vigor and cheerfulness. Price \$1.25 per bottle. The Wm. Reese Co., Special Agents.

May Your
CHRISTMAS BE MERRY
May Your
NEW YEAR BE HAPPY
Is the wish of
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Good Coal \$6.50 per ton.

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Stomach Trouble and Constipation
Those who are afflicted with stomach trouble and constipation should read the following: have never found anything so good for stomach trouble and Constipation as Chamberlain's Tablets. have used them off and on now the past two years. They not only regulate the action of the bowels but stimulate the liver and one's body in a healthy condition," writes Mrs. Benjamin B. er, Auburn, N. Y.

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Don't Sniffle!
You can rid yourself of that in the head by taking Laxa Quinidine Tablets. Price 25c. used in cases of La Grippe and severe headaches. Remember

TURKEYS

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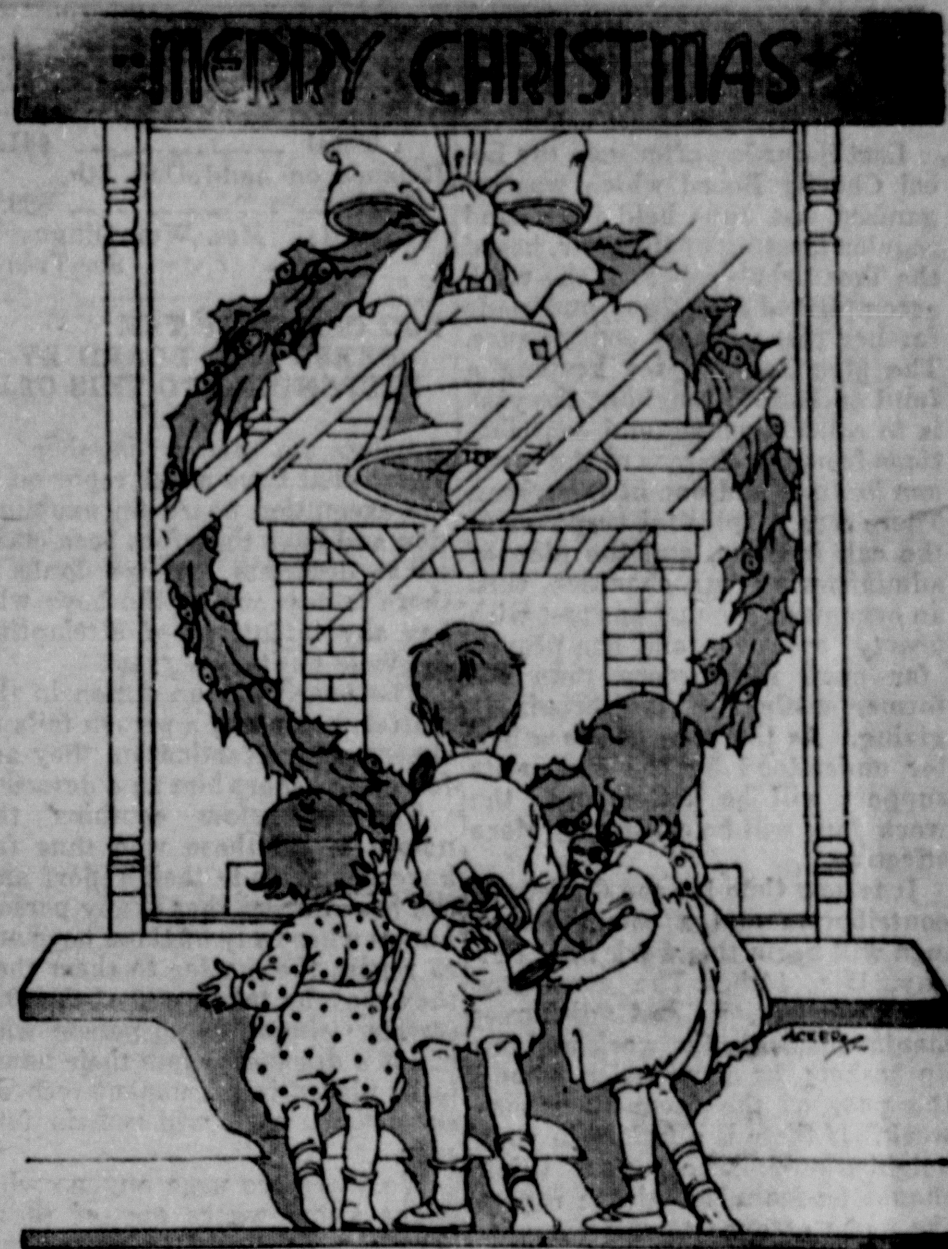
Merry Christmas

And will be glad to greet you at our store.

PARIS SMITH

Druggist

Comanche, Texas



BOB STANTON

WAR-SAVINGS CERTIFICATES

A new system of war-savings certificates have been created. They are designed to give every man, woman and child in the United States the opportunity to help the government in financing the war.

The unit is \$5.00; but instead of loaning the government \$5.00, you are getting a semi-annual interest rate of 10c a much better plan has been devised for the small investor. Beginning December 1st, 1917, the government will offer a war-savings certificate stamp, which it will issue in December, 1917, and in January, 1918, for \$4.12. This obligation is in effect the government's promise to pay you \$5.00 on January 1st, 1923; and the buyer, who is making the coming December or January purchases for \$4.12, and these have to be war-savings certificates is virtually discounting the government's note for five dollars by counting it at four dollars and 12 cents, compounded quarterly.

In other words, Uncle Sam says to the citizen: "Lend me \$4.12, and in return I will give you a stamp which is my promise to pay. I will use your \$4.12 to prosecute the war and meet the expenses of the government, and will pay you four percent interest, compounded quarterly. Thus, when January 1st, 1923, rolls round, I will hand back the money you helped me with, plus the interest; so speaking approximately and rounding, in our liberal American way, the few odd cents—for every \$4.12 you lend me now, I'll give you back \$5.00 five years hence." But, we can imagine the citizen saying to Uncle Sam, "don't want me to lend you more than \$4.12?" Of course I do! says Uncle Sam. "I want you to let me have your money to spare throughout the coming year." Indeed I will! says the citizen. "I can let you have \$4.12 in December, 1917; \$4.12 more in January, 1918; \$4.12 more in February, and—"

No," says Uncle Sam; "\$4.12 is all right for December and January, but on the first of every month after January I shall have to raise the price of the stamps one cent. They will cost you \$4.13 each during Feb., \$4.14 during March, \$4.15 during April, and so on."

"There's only one question that troubles me," says the citizen; "I don't quite like the idea of typing up my savings for five years. Suppose I need some of this money between now and January 1st, 1923?" "That's all looked after," says Uncle Sam. "In the event of your having to use the money which you will have loaned me you can go to any post office and get back the amount you have paid, plus one cent a month for each stamp you have bought. 'I'll only ask you to give the post office ten days notice so that funds may always be on hand to meet any demands made. Aside from this, you are free, if it becomes necessary, to draw your money from any one of my ten thousand money-order postoffices.'" —Ex.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

Chamberlain's Tablets are intended especially for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation, and have met with much success in the treatment of those diseases. People who have suffered for years with stomach trouble and have been unable to obtain any permanent relief, have been completely cured by the use of these tablets. Chamberlain's Tablets are also of great value for biliousness. Chronic constipation may be permanently cured by taking Chamberlain's Tablets and observing the plain printed directions with each bottle.

Bread Without Salt is Tasteless.

A medicine chest without Magic Arnica Liniment is useless. Best of all liniments for sprains, swellings, bruises, rheumatism and neuralgia. Three sizes, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine. It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 35c.

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During the Holiday Season Let

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Do Your Tailoring

Especially attention to Ladies Work

North Side Square

"A Shine In Every Drop" Get a Can TO-DAY From Your Hardware or Grocery Dealer



Dufresnay's Christmas Awakening

ON Christmas morning of the year 1881 M. Dufresnay's apartments were in some confusion. Monsieur himself as he slept on a spindle legged sofa was not the very image of order. His rose colored satin coat was under his head, and his silk stockings dangled over the end of his all too brief bed. The cards of yesterday and yesterday's bestrewed the floor.

He was disturbed by the insistent tinkling of a bell. Dufresnay groaned and struggled to his feet. On opening the door he beheld a very beautiful young lady quaintly disguised as a working woman and carrying a large basket such as laundresses use. Dufresnay retreated in confusion, bowing profoundly and wrestling with his coat.

"I pray you pardon me, mademoiselle. I did not expect a— a vision!"

"And I pray you, monsieur, not to mock me," she replied, with a wry little smile. "The last time I came your servant said you had no money. You owe me 17 livres."



"I Did Not Expect a Vision!"

Dufresnay gazed in speechless incredulity for a moment and then burst out laughing.

"A merry Christmas to you, mademoiselle!" he cried. "Is the basket for me?"

"I wish you also a merry Christmas. But please, please listen to me. Perhaps the wine is not yet out of your head. But I must have money today. Surely you can understand?"

Dufresnay partially mustered his wits and attempted an elaborate compliment.

"I have seen all the shepherdesses of our Arcadian Versailles and— By the goddess of the laundry, you are not crying! The basket is very heavy. And here are actual shirts!"

He looked in comic perplexity from the basket to the girl. Then he said gently, "Has no one ever told you how beautiful you are?"

"Certainly you are not the first to flatter me nor the first that failed to pay me, but," she added, and her eyes filled with tears, "I had better hopes of you. Fine words will not help me."

"I know they will not. What have I that will bring 17 livres? This ring?" "But that is a wedding ring."

"My mother's. And it is for my wife. It is for you."

"That is a cruel jest. And I thought you were so different. You have never seen me before, but I live not far away, and I have often seen you. You are not yourself now or you would not mock me so."

"I was never myself before," insisted Dufresnay.

At this moment a stately personage appeared in the doorway and rang the bell with great vigor.

Dufresnay greeted him with delight. "Is his majesty returned to Paris? No? He is well?"

Turning to the girl, he said: "I am, as perhaps you know, the king's poor kinsman, as poor as he is rich. M. Ribot has been the bearer of many good gifts. Monsieur, mademoiselle is my betrothed."

"Ahem! M. Dufresnay, his majesty intrusted me with this Christmas present for you—this purse of gold, 500 louis, I believe, and this commission creating you valet de chambre du roi, with a stipend of 100,000 livres per annum. I congratulate you, monsieur. As I have many other commissions to execute for his gracious majesty, I must humbly take my leave."

"Present my grateful thanks and Christmas wishes to his majesty."

M. Ribot made his departure with somewhat the air of one who gladly takes leave of questionable company.

"May I also congratulate you, monsieur?" timidly ventured the girl. "You can pay me now," she added rather tamely.

"You see my establishment—how I live. Could not the order of these apartments be improved? Will you abandon me amid such ruins? The abbe who ministers in the church yonder is my good friend."

"Why, he is also my abbe!"

"Wonderful! White lambs and black are alike his care. I am a most unlucky gamester. And you can give me better luck than ever came of winning. On my honor, I love you. And the abbe will be very glad to see us. Shall we not make the good old man happy?"

"If you will, monsieur."—W. R. Van Deusen in New York Evening Sun.

A Christmas Prayer.

God grant no little child may go With hungry heart or empty hand— Give this thy world one radiant day To understand, to understand.

Give us the fitting word to say, The spendthrift smile, the brave confession;

Disclose our hearts and give us now The courage of our tenderness! Lord, we are old with toil and tears.

Our souls are veiled with various art, Yet still the little children keep Thine ancient simplicity of heart—

And they alone of all thy breath May bind the burning angel's eyes And, striking laughter from the sword, Retrace the years to paradise.

They are so brave with love and dreams, So eager eyed and, ah, so dear! I think we must return them now The faith they bore across the year.

I think that we must give them now The spendthrift smile—

That earth may keep—

And we thy full—

Lord.

The Kings Cross

"I'll be writin' a letter to Molly th' day, To tell her we're fightin' for Brit ain—an' say That we'll fight till th' last of us drops by th' way— An' we'll wear th' King's cross in the mornin'."

It was a cross on th' arm, an' a cross on th' face, An' a cross for th' very first man in th' race

Who's a-standin' his ground with his colors in place— An' a victory sure in th' mornin'!

It was Britain that called to her Isles in th' sea, An' Scotland that answered as clear as could be— But th' bonny bright shamrock of Ireland ye'll see As th' mate of the oak in th' mornin'!

Did ye think that old Ireland would welch in th' fray, For the quarrel that she had with her Tommy? I say! There's a difference in quarrelin' at home, an' th' way

CHICHESTER PILLS



DIAMOND BRAND. Beware of Counterfeits. Refuse all Substitutes. LADIES! Ask your Druggist for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. TAKE NO OTHER. Buy of your Druggist and ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for twenty-five years regarded as Best, Safest, Always Reliable. SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE. WORTH THE PRICE.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Cure was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrh Cure is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. All Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

That we'll fight by his side in th' mornin'!

There's a row here at home, but We'll wipe out th' blot— An' with Tommy in trouble, his faults we've forgot; For it's water that's warm, but it's blood that gets hot! An' it's brothers we'll be in th' mornin'!

When Tommy has won, he'll be wearin' th' green, An' his saucy young hat will in Dublin be seen— Ye can't tell us apart from our scarrin's, I ween, For we'll wear th' King's cross in th' mornin'!

It's a cross on th' breast an' a cross on th' thigh, An' a cross for th' fellow that lay down to die— Crosses of blood! Now we're tellin' ye why We'll wear th' King's cross in th' mornin'!

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days

Your druggist will refund money if FAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. The first application gives ease and Rest. 50c.

ANNOUNCEMENT!

We are opening an up-to-date Feed Store in the stand at which Mr. Herring has been located for the past several years. We will handle all kinds of Feed, including Bran, Shorts, Hay of all kinds, Chicken Feed and Flour. We will handle Feed and Flour both wholesale and retail and assure our customers of the best service and prices possible to be had. We will appreciate your business.

Herring & Moody

OFF NORTHEAST CORNER OF SQUARE

D. M. HERRING

JIM MOODY

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT OF LOCAL BOARD OF CHARITY

Last Saturday afternoon the Local Charity Board which was organized last June held its second regular meeting of the year, heard the Treasurer's report of the work accomplished since June, and made further plans for its continuance. The plan adopted for keeping a fund on hand throughout the year is to collect semi-annual contributions from the citizens of the town, one in June and one in December. There was a splendid response to the call in June, and the plan of administering our charities thru an organized channel has met with hearty approval, and has proven far more satisfactory than the former method of indiscriminate giving. As the plan becomes better understood by the people its support will be better and the work done will be constantly more effective.

It is now time for the Christmas contribution and a committee of men will begin this work next Friday, Dec. 14th. The committee on investigation and disbursements will begin the work making up baskets for distribution among the poor of the town Christmas week. If there is a family in your neighborhood who you think should be included, please report the name at once to this committee—Mrs. S. P. Smith, Mrs. Wm. Reese, Mrs. Wm. Dingus.

A motion was carried for the creation of an executive committee which shall be composed of a representative from each of the churches of the town, from the Y. M. B. L. and from each of the Woman's Clubs, as follows: W. J. Cunningham, O. O. Brightman, Garrett Palmer, Rev. Austin, Arthur Cox, E. W. Harris, Geo. Sullivan, Mrs. H. L. Stewart, Mrs. O. R. Houghton, Mrs. J. D. Waring together with the regular officers of the board.

The duties of this Executive Committee shall be to advise on the policies of the board, support its undertakings, and to elect the general officers. The following committee on contributions was appointed: S. J. Hicks, C. W. Harris, Floyd Carpenter, Will Carpenter. Auditing Committee: J. H. McMillan, Geo. Sullivan.

Following is the semi-annual report of the Treasurer of the board:

Funds Collected.

Aug. 8, by committee on collection	\$73.77
Dec. 3, Individual contribution	\$1.00
Dec. 6, Thanksgiving offering	\$6.40
Total	\$81.17

Disbursements.

Aug. 15, dry goods	\$5.00
Aug. 15, supplies	\$2.10
Aug. 28, milk	\$3.85
Sept. 1, groceries	\$7.90
Sept. 11, milk	\$1.10
Sept. 26, groceries	\$2.10
Oct. 22, sheets	\$3.65
Oct. 26, pillow cases	.40
Oct. 26, gowns	\$1.25
Oct. 31, groceries	\$3.00
Nov. 3, medicine	.50
Nov. 12, groceries	\$3.40

Dec. 3, groceries	\$4.05
Dec. 5, groceries	\$2.90

Total \$41.20

Balance on hand Dec. 7th, 1917 \$39.97

Signed: Mrs. Wm. Dingus, Sec. Treas.

YOU CAN HELP THE EXEMPTION BOARD BY RESPONDING TO THIS CALL

Below we give a number of names that have never reported to the exemption board for examination and have therefore been classed as deserters and we doubt if there is any one of the boys who has any intentions of attempting to evade military service.

The board has no option in the matter, because if a person fails to show up for examination they are forced to report him as a deserter.

The list below contains the names of all those who thus far have never made their report and the board urges that if any person knows where any of these boys are to report the matter to them that they may be taken out of the Deserters Column, as no person who is not a deserter wants their name to be placed in permanent records as such where it will remain forever.

We therefore urge anyone who might know where any of these boys can be found to notify the board so they can make the proper disposition of their cases.

The names are as follows:
Aubrey C. Files, Luther Presley, E. B. Burnett, J. A. Swafford, Alva Bema, J. H. Newsome, Jas W. Crockett, J. M. Thomas, D. G. Pierce.

Sickly children need WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE. It not only destroys worms, if there be any, but it acts as a strengthening tonic in the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by S. P. Smith.

W. O. W. HAS BIG FEED.

On last Monday night the members of the Woodmen of the World and their families celebrated the close of the recent contest with a "stew."

Some two hundred and fifty persons were present and enjoyed the occasion. Delightful Comanche Stew, coffee, chocolate, fruit and cakes were served.

A program of speeches by Prof Holloway, Rev. Austin and others was given and the very best music was rendered by a string band throughout the entire time.

A most enjoyable time was had by those present.

Wheezing in the lungs indicate that phlegm is obstructing the air passages. BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP loosens the phlegm so that it can be coughed up and ejected. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by S. P. Smith.

How does she do it and keep out of jail—see "Within the Law" Wednesday, Dec. 19th.



Here's Hoping That the Season Bring
To All the Best of Everything!

We wish to take this occasion to express our appreciation to the merchants and people of Comanche for their liberal patronage of the year just closing.

During the past year in spite of the adverse crop conditions we have been able through the co-operation of Comanche's merchants to do a creditable business for Comanche's Wholesale House.

The recent enlargement of our concern will leave us in even a better position to care for our customers in 1918 than at any time in the past and we assure Comanche people of our appreciation of their future business.

We Wish to All

A Merry Christmas and a New Year
Filled With Prosperity in Every Way

Meadows Grocery Co.

Wholesalers

Comanche

Waco

Hamilton

De Leon

FREE!

With every purchase of \$1.00 or more we will give free one set GOLD filled Beauty Pins.
Reese & McCarty, Jewelers.

Feed Delivered Promptly.

We handle all kinds of feed, including Bran, Mixed Feed and all kinds of Hay. Our superb delivery service gets the feed to you without delay.
(15-18) Atwood Brothers.

Nunnally and Liggett's Candies at The Wm. Reese Co.

Comanche Girls Win in Basket Ball.

The Comanche basket ball girls again demonstrated their superiority over their opponents in the second game of the season when they met and defeated the Lamkin girls with a score of 16 to 5. The lineup was as follows:

Forwards—Louise Burks, Velma Atwood.
Guards—Vida Jones, Exie Blake more.

Centers—Thelma Coleman, Laura Lou Waring.
Officials—Referee, Mr. Waggoner; Coach, Miss Clara Rea.

Following the game the home girls entertained the visiting team in the domestic science dining room. Hot chocolate, sand wiches and fruit were served. Mr. Holloway then presented the defeated team with a roll of black crepe paper, which the Lamkin girls had given our defeated team in the game last year.

When your digestion is poor, when your bowels are costive, when your breath is bad, when your stomach is sick or disordered, and you feel languid and low spirited, Prickly Ash Bitters is the remedy you need. It cleanses the vital organs, purifies the bowels, and imparts a fine feeling of strength, vigor and cheerfulness. Price \$1.25 per bottle. The Wm. Reese Co., Special Agents.

With every purchase of \$1.00 or more of Cut Glass we will give free a beautiful Cut Glass Basket.
Reese & McCarty, Jewelers.

Good as New Mattress for \$1.50.

We can remake your old mattress so it will be as good as new for \$1.50, and will call for and deliver same. All work positively guaranteed.
(15-18) Atwood Brothers.

STORAGE BATTERIES

We sell storage batteries. We charge storage batteries. We rent storage batteries. We rebuild storage batteries.
(15-16) Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

A Bargain in Furniture.

You will find many bargains in brand new Furniture in our stock.
(15-18) Atwood Brothers.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE—One barber chair in good condition. See me—Geo. C. Wetzel.
(14)

FOR SERVICE—Registered Poland China Boar; will be kept at my home 2 miles northwest from Comanche.—C. A. Greene, phone 46.
(16-19)

FOR RENT—My home 3 blocks east from the square; all conveniences. Prefer family without children or with grown children.—T. R. Holmsley. Call at The Chief-Exponent office.
(14)

FOR SALE AT ONCE—320 acre farm, implements included; one mile east of Sipe Springs; fenced hog proof; 125 acres sown in wheat. Easy terms; might consider some trade.—J. L. Joplin, Sipe Springs, Texas.
(16-17)

FOR SALE—Good family horse; would trade for cow. Phone 357.
(14)

FOR SALE OR TRADE—My home place, 25 acres, one mile from court house, all in cultivation, well improved, fenced, cross-fenced hog proof; clear; would trade for small farm of equal value. See or phone me; phone No. 283.—H. W. Luman, Comanche, Texas.
(15-16p)

FOR RENT—A fine black land farm, 125 acres in cultivation, 3 miles east of Blanket. Apply to Albert Barnes.
(15-16)

FOR SALE—Four good work mares, (all bred) two mule colts, one coming 3 year old horse, and a good work horse.—See Ernest Carpenter or call Chief-Exponent.
(15-16)

WANTED—A companion for elderly lady in country who lives by herself. Elderly woman preferred. Can offer an attractive proposition to some lady who wants a home. References will be required.—Write Box 22, Gustine, Texas.
(15-16p)

POSTED NOTICE—Hunting, trapping and all forms of trespassing are forbidden on any of these places. This means you!—W. Hanson.
(15-16)

FOR SALE—A 7 foot Acme Eer, good 12-disc 6-inch grain and a Sanders double disc breaker. Will sell any or all at gain. See Ernest Carpenter.
(15-16)

WOOD FOR SALE—I have cords of mesquite and post and cord wood for sale. Phone or J. C. Montgomery, Comanche, as.
(14)

FOR SALE—A few full blood Hereford yearling bulls.—See Montgomery.
(14)

Preaching at Harmony and White Point.

Rev. J. T. Ferguson will preach at Harmony Church Sunday, 16, both morning and night. Promptly at 3 p. m. he will preach at White Point. The membership of these churches is urged to be present at these services and a cordial invitation is tendered to every one to come and worship with us.
Rev. J. T. Ferguson

How to Prevent Croup.
In a child that is subject to attacks of croup, the first indication of the disease is hoarseness. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be ward off and all danger and anxiety avoided.

St. Matthews Church
There will be services at Matthews Church on Sunday 16, both morning and evening are invited.

Deep-seated coughs that ordinary remedies require both external and internal treatment you buy a dollar bottle of LARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP you get the two remedies needed for the price of one. It is a HERRICK'S RED PEROUS PLASTER for the free with each bottle. Sold by P. Smith.

See the beautiful line of Stationery at The Wm. Reese Co.

Shop Early
and Shop Here

We invite all Christmas shoppers to call at our place in making their Holiday purchases. Among our many lines, perhaps our most attractive is

Our Christmas Stationary

This we have in the most varied assortment we have ever shown and the most particular will find something here to please them.

WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Hamilton Drug Co.



Special on Clothing

Christmas Gifts That Are Worth While

Do not throw your money away, but buy gifts that have value to them.

A Few Suggestions

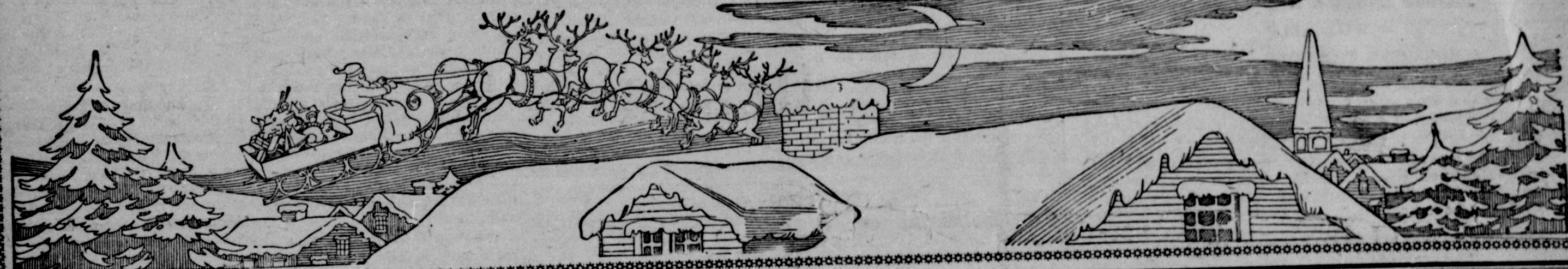
We have a beautiful line of Ladies Handkerchiefs 10 to 50c
Buy your wife an all-wool Skating Set\$1.00 to \$1.50
Ladies' Kid Gloves, black, white and tan\$2.00 and up
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, by the box 25c and \$1.50
Ladies' Sweaters with Cap to match Come and See
Ladies' Silk Hose 50c to\$1.50
Individual Guest Towels 50c up
White Counterpanes\$1.25 to \$2.00
Ladies' Hand Bags and Purses 25c to \$1.50
Lamb's wool Slipper Soles 50c
Satin Slipper Soles only 25c

A Few Suggestions

Ladies' Juliet Shoes, just the thing for a Christmas present;
color black sapphire, purple, only\$1.50
Ladies' Soft Plush House Slippers, only\$1.00
Men's Oxford House Slippers, soft and warm\$1.50
We have some fine Macinaws for boys\$5.00 to \$6.00
Boys Overcoats, something useful\$2.50 to \$5.00
Boys' Suits from\$3.50 to \$10.00
Men's Suits, a full stock\$12.50 to \$25.00
If you want a guaranteed suit of clothes see us.
Nice Plush Lap Robes—See us for prices.
Auto Robes, each\$7.00 to \$10.00
Men's Ties, something nice 25c, 50c, \$1.00
Men's Stetson Hats only\$3.50

Come and see us whether you want to buy or not, make our store your home.

Slider & Lacy



Grisham-Beaty.

Last Saturday afternoon Miss
Icie Beaty and Isham Grisham,
both of the Downing community,
quietly married at the home
of J. T. Ferguson.

These young people come

from well known and respected
families and have many friends
who wish them all possible hap-
piness in their future together.

Art Gibson Christmas Seals and
Post Cards at The Wm. Reese Co.

TWO TROPHIES WORTH KEEPING

Mrs. Jess Atwood this week re-
ceived from her son, Gayle, in New
York, two articles that are wor-
thy of mention and which Mrs.
Atwood can show with pride.

One was a "service flag" which
bore a star for every son in the
service and Mrs. Atwood's bore
two stars. The one for Gayle in
the navy and the other for Odell
in Camp Travis. Few women can
point to a record like that of this
good lady who has four children,
the two boys in the service, one
girl and one boy, not yet in his
teens.

The other article was the ser-
vice card of Gayle, which is given
to every person in the navy and
bears his ship and place and is
signed by his commanding officer.

May both of Mrs. Atwood's sons
return safely to her after a career
in the army in which she may well
take pride.

Heartburn is a symptom of in-
digestion. Take a dose of HERBINE
in each case. The pain disappears
instantly. The bowels operate
speedily and you feel fine, vigor-
ous and cheerful. Price 50c. Sold
by S. P. Smith.

Do You Want New Furniture.

If so let us trade your brand new
Furniture for the old that you
have. We can make your new
furniture come almost without cost
to you.
(15-18) Atwood Brothers.

YOU'VE LONG WANTED

The good old home-made kind
of pure Ribbon Cane Syrup. We
have it in barrels. Bring your jug
to The Cash Store.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Head
Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXA-
TIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary
Quinine and does not cause nervousness nor
ringing in head. Remember the full name and
look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. 30c

See the Art Gibson display of
Christmas Cards, Booklets and
Christmas Letters at The Wm
Reese Co.

How does she do it and keep
out of jail—see "Within the Law"
Wednesday, Dec. 19th.

Buy a Kodak for Christmas.
The Wm. Reese Co.

Notice, Liberty Bond Holders.

The second installment of 40%
of the purchase price of the Lib-
erty Bonds is due on Saturday, Dec.
15, and all those who are due on
these are urged to meet the pay-
ment promptly. The banks who
guaranteed the payments of these
amounts must send in this sum
promptly on the day specified. The
government will not wait on them
and you should not ask them to
wait on you. Be prompt with
these payments as it is all a mat-
ter of accommodation with the
banks.

Drives Out Malaria, Builds Up System
The Old Standard general strengthening tonic,
GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out
Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the sys-
tem. A true tonic. For adults and children. 60c

How does she do it and keep
out of jail—see "Within the Law"
Wednesday, Dec. 19th.

BRING YOUR JUG

Down to the Cash Store and get
some real old-fashioned Ribbon
Cane Syrup.

CONGRESSMAN THOMAS L. BLANTON ADDRESSES CITIZENS AT COMANCHE

Congressman Thomas L. Blan-
ton spoke Wednesday afternoon to
a good crowd of people at the
courthouse on the war situation.

A meeting of the drafted men
was called for the occasion at
which time members of the local
advisory explained to them the
workings of the new draft plans
and it was at the conclusion of this
meeting that Mr. Blanton spoke.

Mr. Blanton opened his speech
by saying that contrary to the
general opinion of the public he
was in no sense the representative
of Comanche county as our Con-
gressional District remained as it
is until 1918.

He dwelt at length on Germany's
40 years of military preparation
and their territorial ambitions af-
ter which he dealt with the Ger-
man violations of the International
Laws. He then discussed the Ger-

man outrages against their ene-
mies and their horrible methods of
warfare.

Mr. Blanton then discussed the
draft and its necessity as well as
its democratic features. He then
took up the political parties that
are opposed to the conduct of the
war and the loyalty of the people.
He bitterly attacked the Socialists
who were opposing the govern-
ment.

He then said that he had pledg-
ed the loyalty of his district to the
government, and asked every one
who would pledge their loyalty to
the government to stand up while
he repeated a pledge, they assent-
ing, which every person in the au-
dience did.

Mr. Blanton left Comanche for
Rising Star where he spoke at
night.

For good lump coal at \$6.50 per
ton phone J. O. Henderson at The
Chief-Exponent Office, phone No.
2.

Times of prosperity and depression come to
banks as well as individuals, a glance at the
above figures will show the continued prosperity which

The First State Bank

of
Comanche, Texas

has been able to enjoy since its organization
December 10, 1910. We wish to express our
thanks to the friends and patrons of this bank
and to assure them that we are just as willing
and much more able to satisfactorily serve
them now as when we first opened.

Christmas has always been a time for rejoicing.
This year the Christian Nations the world over
are weeping on account of the World War, Au-
tocracy against Democracy.

Leave your savings in the GUARANTY FUND
BANK where the non-interest-bearing and unse-
cured deposits are protected by the DEPOSI-
TORS GUARANTY FUND of the State of Texas

We solicit your banking business.

J. E. GRAY, President
E. E. ANTHONY, Cashier

TOMORROW—Is Fatty Arbuckle day.

MONDAY 17th—Velaska Surat in "A Rich Man's
Plaything."

TUESDAY 18th—8th chapter "Who is Number One"
and a mixed program.

Wed., Dec. 19 Afternoon and Night--
Alice Joice with an all star cast in

"Within the Law"

This ran all last week to capacity business at the Hippo-
drome at Dallas. More than one thousand turned away
at the Sunday performance there. People from the
country should come in to the afternoon show.

If you expect a good seat at the night show **come early**

MAJESTIC

Young Mothers

Reserve strength for motherhood is of two-fold importance and thoughtful women before and after maternity take

SCOTT'S EMULSION

It supplies pure cod liver oil for rich blood and contains lime and soda with medicinal glycerine, all important ingredients for strengthening the nervous system and furnishing abundant nourishment.

It is free from alcohol. Insist on the genuine. The Norwegian cod liver oil in Scott's Emulsion is now refined in our own American laboratories which makes it pure and palatable. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N.J. 17-20

Notice to Stockholders. Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Comanche, Texas, will be held at its banking house in Comanche, Texas, on Tuesday the 8th day of January, 1918, for the purpose of electing directors for the current year, and for the transaction of other legitimate business. W. M. Durham, Cashier. Dec. 13, 1917. (1t)

Pray, what is the poor editor to do? No matter what he writes he tramples on some narrow minded person's opinion. Recently in an editorial the News said in effect that the negro should never expect social equality, for he is not as good as the whites. A well-known local citizen came in and "jumped on" us for the statement—even went so far as to say he had no feeling or prejudice against negroes, and would not be adverse to inviting them into his home and table "provided they were sanitary and conducted themselves gentlemanly." Then to emphasize his disapproval, he did that contemptibly cowardly act which only little men will stoop to do—exercised the boycott, by "stopping the paper." Of course, we don't want on our list any man who believes the negro to be socially equal with the white race. Verily, it takes all sorts of queer cusses to make a world!—Exchange.

SURGEONS agree that in cases of Cuts, Burns, Bruises and Wounds, the FIRST TREATMENT is most important. When an EFFICIENT antiseptic is applied promptly, there is no danger of infection and the wound begins to heal at once. For use on man or beast, BOROZONE is the IDEAL ANTISEPTIC and HEALING AGENT. Buy it now and be ready for an emergency. Price 25c, 50c, \$1.00, and \$1.50. Sold by S. P. Smith.

Keep Well

Do not allow the poisons of undigested food to accumulate in your bowels, where they are absorbed into your system. Indigestion, constipation, headache, bad blood, and numerous other troubles are bound to follow. Keep your system clean, as thousands of others do, by taking an occasional dose of the old, reliable, vegetable, family liver medicine.

Theford's

Black-Draught

Mrs. W. F. Pickle, of Rising Fawn, Ga., writes: "We have used Theford's Black-Draught as a family medicine. My mother-in-law could not take calomel as it seemed too strong for her, so she used Black-Draught as a mild laxative and liver regulator. We use it in the family and believe it is the best medicine for the liver made." Try it. Insist on the genuine—Theford's. 25c a package. E-75

Just the Thing

I have found out a gift for my fair A matter quite difficult now, Since orchids she's vowed to forswear And roses she will not allow, Late suppers no longer she'll taste; She looks at my candy as nice, And says we must minimize waste For the sake of the soldiers in France.

New music I'd send by the ream, Best sellers should never escape her; But I know my devotion she'd deem A non-conservative of paper! So I've joined the prevailing uplift With a zeal patriotic and fond; She cannot find fault with my gift, For I've bought her a Liberty Bond.

SIMPLE WASH REMOVES RINGS UNDER EYES

Proctor people will be surprised how quickly pure Lavoptik eye wash relieves blood shot eyes and dark rings. One young man who had eye trouble and very unsightly dark rings was relieved by ONE WASH with Lavoptik. His sister also relieved a bad eye strain in three days. A small bottle Lavoptik is guaranteed to benefit EVERY CASE weak, strained or inflamed eyes. Aluminum eye cup FREE. City Drug Store, at Proctor, Texas.

Slow Going.

Of course, it was public property that the Takeites Railway trains did not dash along like a hurricane being pushed, nor did they travel as fast as a rumor, but the journey in question had just about put the "lid on."

Mr. T. Raveler was one of the long suffering passengers on this occasion, and was getting anxious about the time, as he had an appointment at the other end.

"Say, porter," he shouted, leaning his head out of the window, "What time is it?"

"Time? Sorry, sir, I don't know replied the luggage lifter.

"Don't know!" shouted Reveler. "Hang it, man, how is it you don't carry a watch?"

"Well, sir, you see," said the portmanteau pulverizer, "we hardly ever need a watch on this road; what we need is a calendar."—Tit-Bits.

Imitation is sincerest flattery but like counterfeit money the imitation has not the worth of the original. Insist on "La Creole" Hair Dressing—it's the original. Darkens your hair in the natural way, but contains no dye. Price \$1.00.

LED THOUSANDS TO DEATH

A trained goat, used for the last seventeen years at the stock yards to lead herds of goats or sheep from one pen to another, or to the slaughter-house, died the other day. The goat knew his business well and was highly esteemed by the men of the yards for his efficiency. He had led during his career many thousands of his kind to their death but this did not trouble his conscience, for he died peaceably of old age. One of the characteristics of the goat as described by a hog buyer was his fondness for kittens and he often made the rounds of the sheep pens in the discharge of his duties with a white

kitten perched on his back.

A young goat, which for some months had been acting as understudy to the trained goat, has been assigned to fill the place made vacant by the old goat's death.—Honey Grove Signal.

Notice in Probate.

The State of Texas.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Comanche County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Comanche County, a copy of the following notice:

The State of Texas.

To all persons interested in the estate of F. D. Jones, non Compos Mentis,

Know Ye, That Mollie Jones has filed an application in the County Court of Comanche County, on the 4th day of December, 1917, for her appointment as guardian of said estate, which said application will be heard by said Court on the 7th day of January, 1918, at the Court House of said County, in Comanche, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Comanche, Texas, this 14th day of December, 1917.

B. C. Stailey, Clerk, County Court, Comanche County, Texas. (16-17)

Notice in Probate.

The State of Texas.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Comanche County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Comanche County, a copy of the following notice:

The State of Texas.

To all persons interested in the estate of Mrs. L. W. Ayers, deceased,

Know Ye, That C. R. Ayers has filed an application in the County Court of Comanche County, on the 6th day of December, 1917, for the probating of the last will and testament of the said Mrs. L. W. Ayers, deceased, and for his appointment as executor of said will, which said application will be heard by said Court on the 7th day of January, 1918, at the Court House of said County, in Comanche, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Comanche, Texas, this 6th day of December, 1917.

B. C. Stailey, Clerk, County Court, Comanche County, Texas. (16-17)

Notice of Trustees Sale.

Whereas, by deed of trust dated

Keep It Handy

Ward off attacks of grip, colds and indigestion by timely medication with the thoroughly tested and reliable remedy of the American household

PERUNA

It's better to be safe than sorry. Many a long spell of distressing sickness might have been prevented if this proved remedy had been resorted to in the first stages. Any article that has been efficiently used for nearly half a century has proved its value. At your druggists.

THE PERUNA CO.

Columbus, Ohio



December 10, 1908, and recorded in Book "P", page 136 of the real estate mortgage records of Comanche County, Texas, J. B. Brown and wife conveyed to R. G. Patton, trustee, the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit:

48 acres in Comanche County, Texas, off the east end of the north half of 160 acres patented to A. H. Jones, Patent 104, Vol. 8, described as follows:

Beginning 352 varas east of the N. E. corner of a survey for F. F. Green, a rock set in ground for N. W. corner of this survey. Thence east with the north line of said Jones survey to N. E. corner of same. Thence south 440 yards to the S. E. corner of this tract. Thence west to the S. E. corner of a 32 acre tract sold to H. B. McDonald, a rock set in ground. Thence north with east line of said McDonald tract to place of beginning.

Said deed of trust given to secure The American Freehold Land Mortgage Company of London, Limited, in the payment of the principal indebtedness of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, besides interest, and also ten per cent attorneys' fees in certain contingencies mentioned in the notes and in the deed of trust. Said deed of trust provides that upon default in the payment of any part of the indebtedness for five days after the same falls due, the trustee should at the request of the holder sell the land at public outcry after advertising the same in the manner provided for advertisement in case of judicial sales; such sale to be made at the Court House door in Comanche County, Texas; and

Whereas, R. G. Patton, the trustee named in said deed of trust, has refused to act, and The American Freehold Land Mortgage Company of London, Limited, has appointed me, H. N. Goodson, as substitute trustee, as the aforesaid deed of trust provides may be done in event of the refusal of the trustee named to serve, and has requested me as such substitute trustee to sell the above described land under the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of paying off and satisfying the above mentioned indebtedness of \$500.00, principal, interest and attorneys' fees, default having been made in the payment thereof.

Now, this is to give notice that on Tuesday, the 1st day of January A. D. 1918, I will offer the above and for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, at the court house door of Comanche County, Texas, in the city of Comanche, between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and four o'clock p. m. on said day, and I will execute the purchaser of said property at said sale conveyance therefor, as provided in said deed of

trust. Witness my hand this 3rd day of December A. D. 1917.

H. N. Goodson, Substitute Trustee (15-17)

Notice, Sheriff's Sale.

The State of Texas, County of Comanche,

By virtue of an Order of Sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Comanche County, on 26th day of November, 1917, by the Clerk, thereof, in the case of W. M. Scott, versus J. P. King, No. 4314 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff Sales, on the first Tuesday in January A. D. 1918, it being the first day of said month, before the Court House door of said Comanche County, in the City of Comanche, the following described property, to-wit:

Being Three Thousand (\$3,000.00) Dollars worth of mercantile stock owned by the said J. P. King in Watson Bros. Huling Co., a corporation doing business and located at Gustine, Texas, levied on as the property of J. P. King, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$3,000.00 in favor of W. M. Scott and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 27th day of November A. D. 1917. (15-18) J. E. Miller, Sheriff.

The State of Texas

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Comanche County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of twenty days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Comanche County, a copy of the following notice:

The State of Texas.

To all persons interested in the estate of J. W. McNeill, deceased. H. N. Goodson, Administrator of said Estate, has filed in County Court of Comanche County, Texas, a Final Exhibit of said Estate, which will be heard by our said County Court on the first Monday in January, 1918, the same being the 7th day of said month, at the Court House of said County, in Comanche, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said Exhibit, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Comanche, this, the 27th day of November, 1917. (15-18) B. C. Stailey, Clerk, County Court, Comanche Co., Tex.



PROPER PACKING AND LOADING

WILL HELP

CONSERVE THE FOOD SUPPLY

If shippers along the Cotton Belt Route will take special care to see that their goods are properly packed and loaded, in full loads where possible, they will be doing themselves and the country a big service in these critical days.

Loss, damage and delay due to improper packing and loading cuts into the efficiency of freight service tremendously—and never before have the railroads been called upon for such a task as they have now.

Shipping supplies in unsuitable packages, or breakable food containers and merchandise that is damaged by weak packing or poor loading not only causes the loss of the goods and delay in shipping, but in replacing the orders.—FREIGHT SPACE IS WASTED THAT COULD BE AVAILABLE FOR OTHER NEW SHIPMENTS.

BE A "SHIP-SHAPE" SHIPPER AND HELP UNCLE SAM.

ST. LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN RAILWAY LINES

Bargains in Sandy Lands

We offer the following sandy lands for sale cheap and on easy terms:

62 acres 3 miles N. W. Sidney, \$30 per acre.

67 acres 2 miles east from Sidney, \$20 per acre.

120 acres 1/2 mile west Soda Springs school, \$20 per acre.

170 acres near Suez, \$20 per acre.

233 acres 4 miles east from Hasse at \$6000.

150 acres unimproved timber land 3 miles east from Gustine, at \$10 per acre.

All of the above lands are cheap at the price offered and can be had on reasonable terms.

We also offer a number of black land farms worth the money; and remember that we can give you best rates and terms on farm loans; and can write your fire and tornado insurance on farms anywhere in Comanche County.

J. R. EANES & COMPANY

J. R. EANES PHONE No. 8 JNO. D. WARING

Coffins and Caskets

I carry a complete line of undertakers goods and give all calls my personal attention—day or night.

T. M. PULLIAM

Store Phone 254.

Residence Phone 170

Headquarters Wetzel's Barber Shop, Phone 149

BOB CARVER

GENERAL DELIVERY

Will call for and deliver anything



Cotton Belt Service

It is our purpose to give the people of Comanche and surrounding territory the best possible service not only in regard to the operations of our trains but in a general way. It is our aim to assist you in any way you travel and are always glad to give you any information as to the rates, schedules ect, and we ask you to feel free to call on us for any information you may desire.

Try Cotton Belt Trains If Bound for St. Louis New York Or Any Other Points of the North

Cotton Belt Passenger service is not to be excelled in comfort, convenience or safety.

Ask The Cotton Belt Agent.

Phone

O. C. THRASHER, Local Agent,

Comanche, Texas.

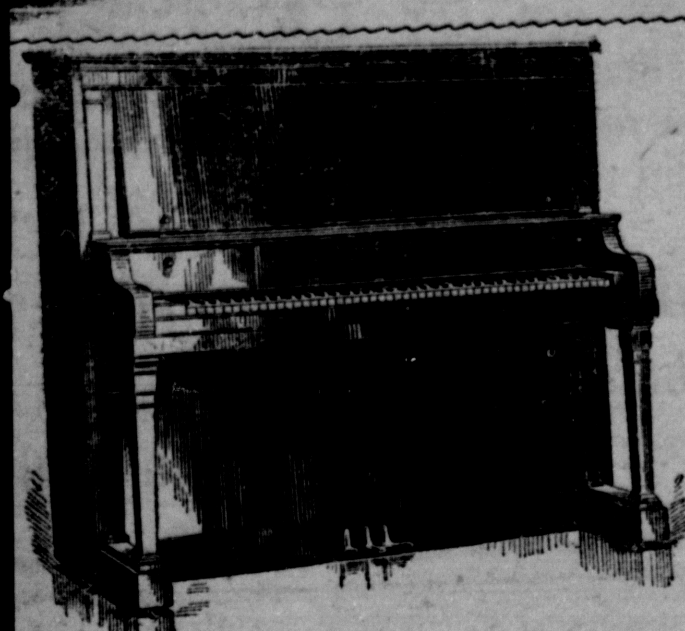
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JOHN F. LEHANE, G. F. & P. A.,

Tyler, Texas.



"Your Christmas Stock Is OK" Santa Claus"



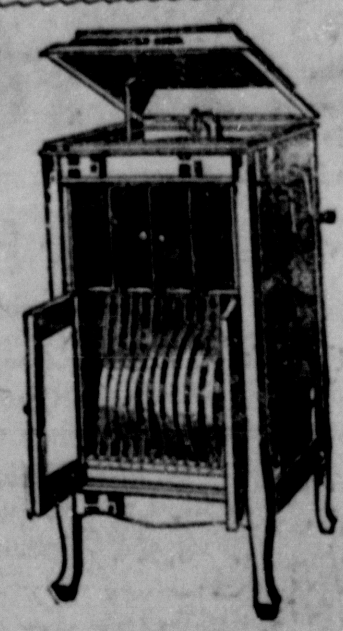
But It Must Be Sold

REGARDLESS OF THE SACRIFICE. NEVER WAS OUR MAGNIFICENT STOCK OF FURNITURE MORE COMPLETE THAN IT IS TODAY AND NEVER BEFORE HAVE WE HAD THE SPLENDID ARTICLES WHICH SO APPEAL TO OUR CUSTOMERS. ANTICIPATION OF SPLENDID CROPS LED US TO BUY EARLY AND AT A LOW FIGURE AND THE PRESENT CONDITION MAKES US PUT OUR STOCK ON THE MARKET AT

Forced Sale

MANY OF THE VERY CHOICE ARTICLES WILL BE SOLD FOR ONE-HALF PRICE—MUCH OF IT WILL BE OFFERED AT EVEN LESS.

Your chance to buy Furniture at cost and less than cost.



COLUMBIA GRAFONOLAS

Will be sold at prices below what they have ever been offered before. Our stock of these high-grade machines is larger than it would seem trade conditions warranted, but up to the time the drouth conditions became grave they moved regularly. What we now have on hand will go at a sacrifice.

OUR STOCK OF PIANOS MUST MOVE
They include some of the world's best brands and are standard in every way, but we must sell them and down goes the price so low that you cannot afford to miss the opportunity.

The Biggest Furniture Sale Comanche Ever Witnessed Begins Saturday, Dec. 15th
Every article in stock is reduced in price to the very bottom.

THIS INCLUDES

Our magnificent lot of staple articles of Furniture, such as Bedroom Suites, Kitchen Furniture, Dining Room Suites, Chairs, Cedar Chests, Tables and in fact everything in the Furniture line.

IT INCLUDES

Our splendid assortment of Rugs and Art Squares as well as our Linoleum, Matting and other floor coverings; also our Window Shades, etc.

IT EVEN INCLUDES

Our Sheet Music and Grafonola Records; which are in some instances far below the wholesale cost.

T. M. PULLIAM

This Sale closes on Christmas day.

Remember the Sale begins Saturday, December 15

METHODIST ORPHANAGE

An offering of Tablets and Pen-pals for the Methodist Orphanage will be taken Sunday, December 16th, at the Methodist church. Receptacle near rear — please help.

BRING YOUR JUG

Down to the Cash Store and get some real old-fashioned Ribbon Cane Syrup.

See the bargain counter for Boys' and Girls' Books at The Wm. Reese Co.

attended Fagan who died and was buried in Vandyke

of the Episcopal Former Arther House Reopened. Give a Christmas Sale rugs, Saturday afternoon at the Looney building, to Reese's drug store.

High grade Toilet Water and Perfumes at The Wm. Reese Co.

For good lump coal at \$6.50 per ton phone J. C. Henderson at The Chief-Exponent Office, phone No. 2.

If it is not an Eastman it is not a Kodak. The Wm. Reese Co.

G. M. Hufstutler and wife of Gatesville have moved to Comanche and have taken charge of what was formerly The Arther House, which they will operate as a first-class hotel. Mr. and Mrs. Hufstutler were formerly in the hotel business in Gatesville.

Send the soldier boy a Kodak. The Wm. Reese Co.

PURE RIBBON CANE SYRUP
In barrels—the home-made kind —at The Cash Store.

Everything in Toilet Articles at The Wm. Reese Co.

The State of Texas.
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The State of Texas.

To all persons interested in the estate of T. J. Farrar, deceased, Know Ye, That A. P. Farrar, administrator, of said estate, has filed in the County Court of Comanche county, Texas, a final account and petition to close said administration of said Estate on the 12th day of December, 1917, which will be heard by our said County Court on the first Monday in December, 1918, the same being the 7th day of said month, at the Court House of said County, in Comanche, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said Exhibit, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Comanche this, the 12th day of December, 1917.

B. C. Stailey, Clerk, County Court, Comanche County Texas. (16-19)

Get a Gillette Safety Razor at The Wm. Reese Co.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

And May Your New Year Also Be a Happy One

USEFUL AND PRACTICAL GIFTS FOR YOUR FATHER, BROTHER, HUSBAND, SON OR FRIEND

- A pair of Bostonian Shoes.
- A pair of House Shoes in Holiday Boxes.
- Silk Hose.
- Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs.
- Silk Shirts.
- A fine Showing of Ties.
- Reefer Mufflers.
- Dress and Driving Gloves.
- Underwear.
- Overcoats.
- Hats and Caps.
- Hand Bags.

USEFUL AND PRACTICAL GIFTS FOR YOUR MOTHER, SISTER, WIFE, DAUGHTER OR FRIEND

- Crepe de Chine and Georgette Waists.
- Silk, Crepe and Linen Handkerchiefs.
- Silk Petticoats.
- Brassieres.
- Silk Hose.
- Kimona Goods.
- Kid Gloves.
- House Shoes.
- Sweaters and Caps.
- FURS.
- Fancy Ribbons and Elastic Table Linens.
- Towels with Bath Bags to Match.
- Wool Blankets.

All the articles listed above can be found at our store at very reasonable prices.

We take this occasion of thanking you for past favors and asking for a continuance of your patronage.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

A Christmas Stocking Is Well Filled That Contains Gifts Bought Here

In One of Our Three Complete Departments

You can find

Useful Gifts

for every member of the family.

Tate Brothers

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

Holiday Headquarters



Roberson Sisters & Co.

Comanche, Texas

Come in and Look Over Our Holiday Stock Santa Claus

Makes His Headquarters Here

Our Big Stock of Holiday Goods is now on display and never before in Comanche was shown such a splendid array of things that the Christmas Shopper's Mind turns to at Holiday Season. Toys we have in every kind and at every price. Useful gifts for the "grown-ups" abound in every part of our immense stock.

Below We Call Your Attention to Some of Our Lines

DOLLS—In character and kid bodied dolls as well as all other kinds.

MECHANICAL TOYS of any and every kind, including the well advertised kinds.

BOOKS for all classes and all ages—the kind that are suitable, including modern fiction.

FANCY STATIONERY is one line in which we can please every taste—no more appropriate gift was ever made.

TOILET CASES—Manicure Sets—French Ivory Goods—Shaving Sets.

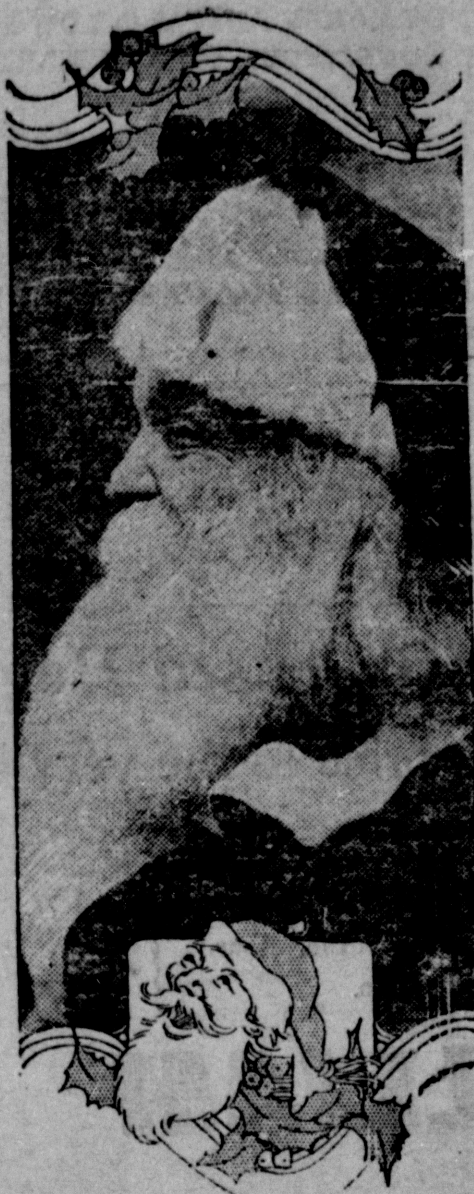
CUT GLASS, Chinaware and Silverware.

WORLDS of useful gifts in Aluminum ware.

FOR THE HOLIDAY DECORATOR—Fancy Ribbons and Laces, Tinsel Cords, Tissue and Crepe Papers, Christmas Boxes.

The 5 & 10c Store

W. C. ODOM, Prop.



and all riders of animals are hereby prohibited from turning or keeping to the left of the styes or guide posts bearing the sign "turn right," fixed at the intersections of the four main streets and also along the same, of the city, and such drivers and riders are hereby required to turn and keep to the right of said guide posts when passing along said main streets, and said drivers and riders are hereby prohibited from driving said vehicles, or riding said animals across the streets between said guide posts when passing along said main streets, or turning into or out of the public square of the city.

Art. 7. All drivers and owners of motor vehicles, hacks, transfers, drays, wagons and other vehicles used for the transfer of passengers, freight, goods, or other lawful purposes, in the city are hereby permitted to occupy or use the public square and that part of the public streets adjoining the same, not included in the travel way of twenty-five feet designated in Art. 5 of this ordinance, for parking or standing purposes.

Art. 8. It shall be unlawful for any person to recklessly or carelessly drive or ride any animal or vehicle against any other vehicle or animal in this city.

Art. 9. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to drive or ride any animal on or across any bridge on a public street in this city, at a speed or gait faster than a walk.

Art. 10. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to drive any loose animal, or animals, whether such loose animals be coupled together or otherwise, on or along the public square or on or along that part of the main streets adjoining the public square of the city.

Art. 11. It shall be unlawful for any person handling or in charge of, an automobile, motor truck, motorcycle or other motor vehicle, either in motion or standing on the public square or on any public street or alley within the corporate limits of the city of Comanche, to use or operate such automobile or other vehicle, above mentioned, without properly muffling such vehicle, or to use any device known as "muffler cut off," within said city limits.

Art. 12. Every person who shall violate any of the provisions or requirements of Articles Five (5) (a), (b) Six (6) Nine (9) and Ten (10) of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not to exceed one hundred (\$100.00) dollars, and every person who shall violate any provision or requirement of Articles Three (3) (a) Four (4) (a), (b), Eight (8) or Eleven (11), of this ordinance, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, for the first offense shall be punished by fine not to exceed one hundred (\$100.00) dollars; and for the second or any subsequent offense, by a fine of not less than ten (\$10.00) dollars nor more than two hundred (\$200.00) dollars.

Art. 13. Should any provision of this ordinance be held to be invalid then such holding shall affect only the provision or provisions so held invalid, and the remaining provisions thereof shall

continue in full force and effect. Art. 14. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force and after its passage and ten days after its publication thereof.

W. L. Reeves, Secy. J. R. Eanes, May (16)

Symptoms of kidney disease should receive instant attention as neglect is dangerous. If your back aches or you have trouble with the urine, begin taking Prilly Ash Bitters. It is a dependable kidney remedy. Price \$1.25 bottle. The Wm. Reese Co., Special Agents.

What is LAX-FO
LAX-FOS IS AN IMPROVED CASCARA
A Digestive Liquid Laxative, Cathartic and Liver Tonic. Contains Cascara Bark, Blue Flag Root, Rhubarb Root, Blue Root, May Apple Root, Senna Leaves and Pepsin. Combines strength with palatable aromatic taste. Does not gripe.

CITY TRAFFIC ORDINANCE, greater rate of speed than ten (10) miles per hour, provided that the speed regulations set forth in this article shall not be held to apply to vehicles operated by the fire department, nor to police or fire patrol, nor Red Cross vehicles, nor physicians responding to emergency calls. Any person or persons violating any provision of this article, on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the first offense; and for the second, or any subsequent offense, by a fine of not less than ten (\$10.00) dollars nor more than two hundred (\$200.00) dollars.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMANCHE:

Art. 1. The City of Comanche, being a city of less than 40,000 population, the territory closely built up contiguous to the public highways and public streets of this city is hereby fixed and designated to be all territory embraced within the corporate limits of the city; and the business districts of said city are hereby declared, fixed and designated to be and are the public square of the city and all streets running along and adjoining said public square, and East and West Main streets going south from the public square and running south to the railroad tracks of the Frisco railway company.

Art. 2. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons, to operate or drive any automobile, or motor vehicle, or other vehicle on any public street or highway within the corporate limits of this city where the territory contiguous thereto is closely built up, at a greater rate of speed than eighteen (18) miles per hour, or in the business district of the city, at a

greater rate of speed than ten (10) miles per hour, provided that the speed regulations set forth in this article shall not be held to apply to vehicles operated by the fire department, nor to police or fire patrol, nor Red Cross vehicles, nor physicians responding to emergency calls. Any person or persons violating any provision of this article, on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the first offense; and for the second, or any subsequent offense, by a fine of not less than ten (\$10.00) dollars nor more than two hundred (\$200.00) dollars.

Art. 3. Every automobile or other motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle, while running or operating on the public square or on any public street or highway of this city during the period of one half hour after sunset to one half hour before sunrise, shall carry at the front at least two lighted lamps, showing white lights, visible under normal atmospheric conditions at least five hundred feet in the direction toward which such motor vehicle is facing, and shall during said period, carry at its rear a lighted lamp showing one red light plainly visible for a distance of five hundred feet to the rear.

(a). At the times and under the conditions specified in Article 3, every motorcycle or bicycle while in motion or operating on the public square or on any public street or alley within this city, shall carry on its front one lighted lamp showing a white light visible un-

der normal atmospheric conditions at least two hundred feet in the direction towards which such motorcycle or bicycle is facing, and shall also carry at the rear of such motorcycle or bicycle one red light plainly visible from the rear.

Art. 4. All drivers of vehicles proceeding in opposite directions on a street or alley of this city, shall pass each other to the right, and each shall give to the other right of way, each driver giving one half the street or alley, and no other driver of a vehicle in the rear of either of such two vehicles shall pass or attempt to pass either of such vehicles while they are passing each other.

(a). All drivers of vehicles overtaking other vehicles proceeding in the same direction shall pass to the left thereof, and shall sound suitable and audible signals at a reasonable distance from the vehicle in front, and shall not again drive to the right until the street is clear of such overtaken vehicle.

(b). It shall be the duty of all drivers of vehicles about to be overtaken and passed on a street or alley to give way and turn to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle.

Art. 5. (a). A space of twenty-five (25) feet outward from the curb or sidewalks adjoining all first city blocks fronting and adjoining the main streets along the public square, is hereby reserved and set apart for the exclusive use and purpose of travel and trade as hereinafter prescribed.

(b). It shall be unlawful for any driver of an automobile or other motor vehicle, bicycle, wagon or other vehicle, or any rider on horse back, to stop along or within said space or travel way of twenty-five feet prescribed in Art. 5 hereof, for a longer time than ten minutes at any one time, or to hitch a horse or other animal within said travel way for a longer time than ten minutes, or to stop in the middle or outer side of said travel way, but such driver or rider shall stop, if at all, close up to and alongside the curb or sidewalk of said twenty-five foot travel way, for said ten minutes, or less, of time.

Art. 6. All drivers of automobiles and other motor vehicles, bicycles, wagons, and any other vehicles,

Happy Holiday Everybody!
And thanks for Remembering Us this year.

WE invite you to visit us while doing your Holiday shopping. Some seasonable suggestions for useful gifts from our stock will be found below:

Ladies' Handkerchiefs—in plain and embroidered, linen and crepe de chine.

Ladies' Purses.

Ladies' Collars and Ties.

Ties for Men.

Men's Suits.

Boys' Suits.

Men's Sweaters.

Caps for Boys and Men.

Hosiery for Ladies and for Men.

Ladies' and Children's Jackets.

Blankets in varied prices.



Todd-Randals Company

Comanche, Texas

MAY YOUR

Christmas be Merry

YOUR

New Year Prosperous

Wetzel's Barber Shop

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Brin's Home Stretch Sale!

GOOD-BYE
FOREVER!

FAREWELL TO COMANCHE
FOREVER

Buy Now--Buy Right
Your Last Chance

This Christmas will be the biggest in the history of the country. Make this a sane sensible Christmas by buying and giving useful gifts. We have the goods you need and the prices are all special prices. **BUY NOW** if you want goods. Buy here and you will buy right.

FINAL WIND UP OF THIS BUSINESS
Entire Stock and Fixtures must be sold

GOODBYE - EVERYBODY

SHOES

48c WOMEN'S SHOES 48c
Women's Shoes in Samples and odds and ends, sizes 2 1-2 and 3. Patent leather, kid, etc. Values up to \$2.50. Choice per pair. 48c

\$12.50 WHITE KID BOOTS \$6.50
Nine and half inch white Kid Boots, French heel, aluminum plate. Good-Bye Sale. \$6.50

\$10.00 GRAY SHOES \$6.48
Fashionable Gray Kid Boots, French heel. Good-Bye Sale. \$6.48

SWEATERS

FINAL WIND-UP PRICES
\$4.50 Grade Men's Sweaters
Go at \$3.48

\$4.00 Grades Men's Sweaters
Go at \$2.98

\$5.00 Grades Men's Sweaters
Go at \$3.98

\$1.50 Grade Men's Sweaters
Go at \$1.25

Christmas Goods

NEXT TO NATURE DOLLS.
Hard-to-Break Composition heads painted features, sprayed flesh color bodies; arms and legs attached by springs.
\$2.50 Values; Special \$1.50

Same as above with blonde and brunette hair wigs; \$2.50 Values
Special \$1.75

FURS

CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAL
All the newest Ideas in style, silk lined Scarfs and Throws, Canteen, Ball and Melon shape Muffs.

\$5.00 Muff; Special \$3.48
\$8.50 Muff; Special \$6.98
\$4.00 Brown Isabelle Coney Scarf; Special \$2.98
\$4.50 Scarf; Special \$3.48
\$6.50 Scarf; Special \$4.98
\$4.00 Black French Coney Special \$2.98
\$5.00 Black French Coney Special \$3.98

CITY TRAFFIC ORDINANCE

UP TO \$4.50 SHOES \$2.48
Women's Button Boots in black satin suedes, patent with brocade tops; cloth tops all patent and kids.
Good-Bye Sale \$2.48

UP TO \$5.00 SHOES \$2.98
Women's Button Boots in French Kid and patent Colt; nobby styles.
Good-Bye Sale \$2.98

\$2.75 SCOUT SHOES \$1.95
Scout Shoes, black Elk. Leather Sole, Bike Shoes.
Good-Bye Sale \$1.95

\$4.00 WORK SHOES \$2.98
Men's well made heavy tan valley calf, double leather sole.
Good-Bye Sale \$2.98

\$8.50 Grades Women's Fibre Silk Sweaters
Go at \$6.98

\$7.50 Grades Women's Sweaters
Go at \$5.48

\$4.00 Grade Women's Sweaters
Go at \$2.98

LADIES LONG KIMONAS
First quality materials made up into the best negligee styles brought out this season. All cut on full dimensions; Carefully made and neatly trimmed.
\$1.50 Grade Go at \$1.19
\$2.50 Grade Go at \$1.98
\$2.50 Florentine Silk Kimonas Go at \$1.98
\$2.50 Crepe Kimonas Go at \$1.98

bodies; composition heads and hands painted head and features; non-breakable; dressed in variety of figured, striped Lawn and Khaki
\$1.50 Values Go at \$1.00
\$1.00 Value Go at 50c

Boogie-Bears—Well stuffed;
long pile plush; turning head, glass eyes; jointed limbs, felt soles; stitched mouth and nose; \$2.00 Value
Special \$1.25
Play Suits—Cowboy Outfit
dark khaki, duck shirt, trousers Sombbrero, pistol leather belt and holster.
Special, each \$1.35

Girl's Cowboy Suits \$1.35
Women's Leather Bags Go at 75c to \$3.50
Men's Leather Collar Boxes Go at \$1.00 and \$1.50

Handkerchiefs

Variety of newest designs, attractively boxed.
Women's Fine Handkerchiefs, four color embroidered corner, three in Fancy Box
Special 75c
6 Women's Gift Handkerchiefs in Box, pretty designs
Per Box \$1.00
4 Women's Gift Handkerchiefs, in pretty Willow Basket \$1.50
Children's Gift Handkerchiefs come two in a box, at
Per Box 15c
Women's, Men's and Childrens Christmas Handkerchiefs almost without end. All grades

Everything in clothes for man, woman and child
Prices the lowest

An Appeal From France.

Mrs. J. A. Holman is in receipt of a letter from her son, Col. J. R. Holman, in France in which he says:

"Tell the ladies of the Red Cross to knit and knit and knit and then knit some more. And then tell them to knit and knit and knit and knit some more." He says that the boys, now that cold weather has come, are in need of woolen clothes and it is not a question of the price there but they cannot be bought in France for any price.

This appeal should be heeded by every woman in Comanche for the war is "Mine and Thine and Ours" and an American soldier in want reflects discredit upon every woman able to knit a stitch and every man able to give a penny in America.

The latest designs in Stationery
The Wm. Reese Co.

Visits of the Stork.

Born to Mr. and Mrs.:
J. R. Brooks, near Proctor, boy.
J. C. Clark, Comanche R. 2, boy.
Tommy Smith, Gap, boy.
A. Denman, Lamkin, girl.
M. E. Morris, Lamkin, boy.
J. A. Brown, near De Leon, boy.
Oliver Vinson, near DeLeon, girl.

Kodaks to Loan.

Films developed free; prints 2, 3, and 4c. Mail orders given special attention. Leave Films at the Wm. Reese Drug Store or mail to Luther Dixon, the Kodak Man, Comanche, Texas.

J. H. Allen left Saturday for Lampasas to visit his wife who has been there for her health for some time.

How does she do it and keep out of jail—see "Within the Law" Wednesday, Dec. 19th.

Marriage Licenses Issued.

George Justice and Mrs. Ollie Welch.
T. C. Sparks and Miss Manolia Patton
Ford Reid and Miss Myrtle Reed
I. C. Clarke and Miss Delia Brown.
Isom Newton Grissom and Miss Icie Beatty.
Vivian Burleson and Miss Enos Richardson.
H. L. Boyd and Miss Arcadie Jackson.

If it is a pipe, The Wm. Reese Co. have it.

YOU'VE LONG WANTED

The good old home-made kind of pure Ribbon Cane Syrup. We have it in barrels. Bring your jug to The Cash Store.

Don't fail to see the display of Kodakery at The Wm. Reese Co.

Comanche Has Another New Firm.

Comanche has another new firm in that of Herring & Moody, who have opened an up-to-date feed store in the stand operated by Mr. Herring for the past several years. They expect to handle feed and flour on a wholesale basis. Both these men are well known in the business circles in Comanche both having been in business here before.

We wish them much success in their new undertaking.

We are closing out a big stock of Boys' and Girls' Books at reduced prices. See them at The Wm. Reese Co.

Everything in Kodakery at The Wm. Reese Co.

For good lump coal at \$6.50 per ton phone J. C. Henderson at The Chief-Exponent Office, phone No. 2.

M. Cochran, Lester M. Hall, D. D. S. Phone 148
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DRE. COCHRAN & HALL
Dentists
Comanche, Texas
Office phone 456.
Office over F. & M. Bank.

PERSONAL MENTION

J. J. Tate was a Brownwood visitor Friday.

Nolan Walker, Crate Conger and Vivian Burleson of Camp Bowie spent Sunday in Comanche.

Miss Mabel Lane who, has been attending school in Fort Worth is spending a few days with her parents in Comanche this week.

Mrs. J. B. Lane left Friday night for Little Rock, Ark., where she was called on account of the illness of Bennett who is there.

John Campbell of Fort Worth was a Comanche visitor Thursday. A. F. Blue of Denton was a Comanche visitor Friday.

Herbert Cunningham and Miss Willie Maud Mickle of Fort Worth were in Comanche Thursday attending the funeral of Mrs. Roberts.

Ray Hickey of Rule, Texas, is a Comanche visitor this week.

Frank Ross of Carrollton, Texas, came in Friday for a few days visit with his family.

Frank Emory came in Friday from Stamford having accepted a position with Coleman's Grocery.

H. C. Robertson of Camp Bowie is visiting his mother here this week, he being on sick leave, having been injured in bayonet practice recently.

Allen Lee of Dallas came in Sunday for a visit with his family.

Lee Milholland came in Friday from Sweetwater where he has been stationed for the past several months.

H. H. Sigman of Brownwood was a business visitor in Comanche Monday.

John French of Brownwood was a business visitor in Comanche Monday.

Wiley Long of Hasse was a Comanche business visitor Monday.

Wm. Calhoun of Hico was in Comanche Monday on business.

Dr. I. T. Clemons, A. W. Palmer, and Hardy Slider were visitors in Brownwood Sunday.

Dr. J. W. Otto William Mr. Ming Texas; he

Chas. Webb of Ardmore, Okla. is visiting relatives in Comanche this week.

Eugene Neely and wife came Tuesday to spend the holidays with relatives.

Chas. Dobbs of Oklahoma came in Wednesday to spend the holidays with his mother.

B. H. Baxter and G. C. Bryson returned Tuesday from a very successful deer hunt in South Texas and Old Mexico.

Miss Alma Reese returned Wednesday from Shreveport where she has been visiting Mrs. Connor.

Ollie Bruton left Wednesday Athens, Texas, where he has accepted a position.

Lieut. H. H. Ladd of Austin was a Comanche visitor Thursday.

Rev. B. K. Tenney made a business trip to Brownwood Thursday. Dan Diehl of Brownwood was a Comanche visitor Thursday.

Sam R. May went to Fort Worth Friday to attend the bedside of son who is ill at Camp Bowie.

Earl Harris and wife of Wichita Falls came in Sunday for a visit with relatives.

Frank Obriant came in Tuesday from Denver, Colo., where he has been for the past several months having joined the aviation corps and to report soon.

J. C. Henderson and P. K. Meyer were Brownwood visitors Thursday.

J. P. King of Comanche was a Thursday for Arkansas for a visit with relatives.

Garrett E. Palmer was a visitor Saturday.

We are informed that Miss Marion Waring will spend the holidays with relatives in South California this year, instead of coming home.

Logan Ritchey and Victor Bont were Brownwood visitors Sunday.

Mrs. R. Clark and Tro Chandler and baby, Ella Francis returned to their home in Stephenville after a visit with Mrs. R. B. Holloway.

Mrs. Dr. Odom and daughter Miss Gladys, returned to their home in Haskell Sunday after visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. Odom.

T. R. Holmsley of Waco was a Comanche Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Montgomery of Ozona are here this week visiting Mrs. W. H. Montgomery.

Mrs. James Mitchell Jr. left Monday for San Antonio to visit her husband who is in Camp Travis.

Todd Switzer returned from Las Vegas where he has been at work.

Adolphus Pharmacy.

F. A. Reese left Monday for Fort Springs where he joins the 2nd Field Artillery Band.

Mr. Stewart of Stephenville, Texas, is visiting relatives here this week.

D. O. Smith of Brownwood was a Comanche visitor Thursday.

Christmas Gifts

At Toyland

This is the Town's Headquarters for Gifts and Playthings. Now is the time to buy.

Rowland's

IS THE PLACE HELLO! SANTA CLAUS!

We have Candy, Apples, Oranges, Chewing Gum, Animal Cakes and all things in this line.

DOLLS! DOLLS!!

We have Dolls, toys of all kinds for boys and girls, Glassware, Chinaware of all kinds, Aluminum ware, Ribbons and Laces.

BOOKS! BOOKS!!

Buy toy books as well as good books of all kinds.. Finger Rings for 25c

GIFTS FOR EVERYBODY! GREETINGS TO OUR CUSTOMERS

May your Christmas be Merry and full of Pleasure. This store is full of cheer and service for all who come into it.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL!

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